

## Final BULLETINS

### Superforts Blast Singapore Docks

20TH BOMBER COMMAND HEADQUARTERS, India (AP)—Superfortresses of the 20th Bomber Command dealt the Japanese navy a devastating blow in an attack today on Singapore, destroying the huge floating drydock which could have handled the largest warship in the world.

### Schwerin Taken

LONDON (CP)—A broadcast Soviet communiqué tonight said Red Army troops had captured the town of Schwerin, 40 miles from Berlin, and encircled the important railway and highway junction of Schneidemühl on the Pomeranian border north of Poznan.

### Nazi General Killed

NEW YORK (AP)—A free German National Committee broadcast, sponsored by Moscow, said this afternoon Gen. Jonas Block, commander of the Germans' 66th Armored Corps, had been killed with his entire staff on the east Prussian front while fighting as an isolated group.

### Hold-up Epidemic Sweeps Montreal

MONTREAL (CP)—Armed bandits who held up an east-end Banque Provinciale branch on Roy Street East today escaped with \$3,000 in the sixth robbery at gunpoint since Wednesday night. Police said they were faced with the biggest epidemic of hold-ups since the start of the war.

### Nazis Dig Trenches

LONDON (CP)—Berlin broadcasts tonight told of men, women and children being rushed eastward to dig a vast trench system for defence of Berlin.

More and more Berliners were being thrown into "forefield of the city's defences," said one German account.

### No Commonwealth Prisoners Freed

LONDON (Reuter)—The War Office tonight announced it had so far received no information of the release of any British Commonwealth prisoners of war by the advancing Russian armies adding an announcement would be made as soon as reliable information was available.

### Submarine Lost

LONDON (CP)—The submarine Strategem is overdue and presumed to be lost, the Admiralty announced tonight.

### Wilby Sentenced 5 to 7 Years

NEW YORK (AP)—Judge John A. Miller today sentenced Ralph M. Wilby, 40, to five to seven years in state prison on this plea of guilty to grand larceny in the theft of nearly \$400,000 from the William T. Knott Co. Inc., New York.

Wilby was arrested in Victoria, B.C., last March, four months after he had disappeared from his office. A large part of the money was recovered by workmen digging under Wilby's direction, near Vancouver, B.C.

Judge Miller said he was lenient because of the restitution of nearly \$300,000.

The judge said Wilby would be deported to Canada on his release from prison and warned him not to come back to New York.

### Canadian to Join War Crimes Body

LONDON (CP)—Lord Wright, newly-appointed chairman of the United Nations War Crimes Commission, is shortly to meet Canadian High Commissioner Vincent Massey to discuss the possible appointment of a Canadian representative to the commission, it was learned authoritatively today.

Announcement of appointment of a Canadian may come in a few days from Ottawa.

### Himmler Arrests Generals in East

LONDON—The Morocco radio quoted Ankara reports today that Gestapo chief Heinrich Himmler had arrested or sent to the rear one marshal, six generals and 240 other officers from the eastern front command who were suspected of sympathizing with the Free German Committee in Moscow.

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## Soviets Along Oder for Final Dash

### Nazi Guns Quiet As Yanks Breach Siegfried Line

By JAMES M. LONG

PARIS (AP)—United States patrols broke into the first ramparts of the Siegfried Line today 11 miles southeast of Monschau, and found only a flicker of life in Germany's concrete western fortifications.

U.S. 1st Army troops crossed the first row of dragon-teeth tank barriers in a section of the Siegfried Line never before breached.

Farther north, 37 miles of the line have been breached by U.S. troops in the Aachen-Roer River sector.

Along a front of 40 miles the 1st and 3rd Armies struck into pillboxes fringing the line which battlefront dispatches described as strangely quiet—its artillery silent and its resistance mainly from small arms. Great sections of the fortifications were under artillery fire.

Canadians Knock Out Last Bridgehead

To the north, Canadian units had broken the last German bridgehead over the Maas (Meuse) River in Holland and forced the Germans to withdraw north of the stream after five days' bitter fighting.

To the south, French and U.S. troops fought into a suburb of Colmar and cut the last road from that big Alsatian city to the Breisach Bridge over the Rhine.

The whole Colmar pocket seemed to be dissolving; the street to Strasbourg from the north was eased by the capture of Gumbshelm.

U.S. 7th Army troops crossed the Moder River in force during the night and fought into Berhoffen, hinge of the salient along the Rhine north of Strasbourg and the old Maginot Line sector.

Drive 3 1/2 Miles In Fortress Area

The 3rd Army south of St. Vith drove three and a half miles into Germany and within nine of the strong cluster of fortresses around Prüm. Its Our River bridgehead was widened to seven miles. The main works of the Siegfried Line were barely two miles away.

(The Germans spoke of an impending general offensive and asserted Gen. Eisenhower had added six new tank and four infantry divisions to the 60 already in the Aachen sector opposite Cologne and the industries of the Ruhr.)

The apparent apathy of the German army—heavily underscored the question of whether the drastic German need in the

east has left the enemy strong enough to hold out west of the Rhine.

Overnight advances generally reached four miles deeper into Germany. Village after village fell. Patrols entered the fringes of the Siegfried Line in the Monschau sector, where a whole three-mile section had been captured earlier in the week. U.S. 3rd Army infantrymen seized four more German towns.

Today's communiqué said the Germans had been cleared "from the island of Kapselchever in the River Maas, east of Gertrudenberg" after heavy and prolonged fighting. This was a Canadian success.

An eerie silence covered the big Nazi guns in the Siegfried Line, but artillery of both the U.S. 1st and 3rd Armies laid a barrage on the fortifications along a 40-mile sector opposite Belgium and Luxembourg.

The heaviest enemy resistance was limited strictly to small arms and accurate mortar screening. Troops frankly were amazed at the complete lack of artillery and, in most cases, the enemy's reluctance to stand and fight.

1,332 Prisoners Taken in 24 Hours

The U.S. 1st Army alone captured 1,332 prisoners in the 24 hours to midnight, its largest haul since Jan. 3.

The German cross-Rhine holdings north and south of Strassbourg also began to collapse, reflecting a weakening of the enemy along the whole Western Front.

Allied planes spotted heavy German rail movements eastward from Karlsruhe and Mannheim and through Heilbronn, indicating a further thinning of German defences. Roads north of Wissembourg, above the U.S. 7th Army front, were jammed.

At 21st Army Group headquarters in the north, a spokesman said the battle had developed into a general attack all along the western front toward the Siegfried Line. He expressed doubt, however, that the Germans would yield the fortifications without a hard fight. A 37-mile section of the line has been captured by U.S. arms along the Roer River north of the Monschau area.

A considerable change to milder temperatures and steadily falling rain washed snow from the forests and hills and left only white patches on a black background, which two days ago had been solid white. Roads became double lanes of rushing rivulets of slush.

### Streetcar Men In Mass Meetings Here Friday; Mainland Saturday

VANCOUVER (CP)—The Street Railwaymen's Union (A.F.L.)—four-time loser in fights to obtain what it considers a satisfactory wage boost award from war labor boards—renewed its struggle today by seeking support from every labor group in British Columbia.

Two sessions in Vancouver this afternoon will be followed by mass meetings of the S.R.U. Friday in Victoria and Saturday in New Westminster and Vancouver.

An all-day session of union advisory-board members and O. A. Rowan, international union "trouble shooter," Wednesday resulted in decisions to:

1. Meet representatives of B.C. Electric Railway Co. employees not members of the S.R.U. The session will be attended by delegates from the Gas Workers' Electricians and the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers.

2. Meet executive members of the Vancouver, New Westminster and District Trades and Labor Council (A.F.L.).

3. Accept offer of support from E. E. Leary, president of the Vancouver Labor Council (C.C.F.).

4. Attempt to arrange a meeting of A.F.L. and C.C.F. executives.

5. Call mass meetings of the S.R.U. membership in B.C.'s three major cities, at which the Joint Union Advisory Board will present a complete report.

Membership ballots may be taken at the meetings, but union leaders decline comment.

Meetings in Victoria will be Friday, 10.30 a.m. and 7.30 p.m.; Vancouver, Saturday midnight; New Westminster, Saturday afternoon.

It is assumed a major point in the Advisory Board's report to the membership will be a memorandum from F. E. Harrison, western representative of the Federal Labor Department, to the board.

Mr. Stewart declares the memorandum "is as near a promise as anyone could give" that the S.R.U. men would get a six-cent wage boost if they called off their tri-city transportation strike.

Although the Advisory Board was in session all day Wednesday, Mr. Stewart announced that the possibilities of appeal to the National War Labor Board, or demand for a Royal Commission were not mentioned.

This statement could mean that the union feels there is no use in further appeals to the government.

### A Brand New Hara-Kiri Method



PREPARING TO SHELL BERLIN—Guns such as this may batter the German capital. The huge, self-propelled Russian weapon, one of the heaviest artillery pieces used thus far in the war, is shown on the Soviet-German front. Tech. Lieut. Lazarev, who mans the gun, takes a few minutes out to shave.

### 868,982 German Prisoners Taken By 7 Allied Armies On West Front

PARIS (CP)—Following are latest figures on prisoners taken by the seven Allied armies in action on the Western Front. Since D-Day, June 6, 868,982 have been captured, and of these 64,886 were taken since Field Marshal von Rundstedt opened his ill-

### German Soldiers Told By Radio Of Relatives' Fate

NEW YORK (AP)—A grim picture of millions of German refugees fleeing a "gruesome fate" in the east was painted today in a Berlin wireless dispatch to German army newspapers, the U.S. Communications Commission reported. It attempted to reassure soldiers with relatives among the homeless by saying that "everything humanly possible" would be done by Nazi welfare agencies and that news of individuals would be sent "as quickly as possible."

The Berlin correspondent of the Stockholm Tidningen, meanwhile, said that "Berlin today looks like a city in the front line itself." The dispatch estimated German refugees from the east totaled 4,500,900.

### ASKING QUESTIONS

"Thousands of our comrades at the front will wonder 'where is my wife?' or 'what has become of my children, my parents?'" said the eyewitness Nazi dispatch directed to the German army papers.

"Much snow has fallen on the roads of migration and suffering. The low farm houses in which we throw ourselves upon straw remain but ephemeral pictures for us. Behind us are tears, which were shed on the doorsteps of small and large farmyards in the Wartburg and the red, glowing skies of the night which caused these peasant tears."

"Our ears still ring from the hard knocks at windows and doors in the middle of the night: 'Pack your belongings, put horses into harness, a pack of Soviet tanks is approaching the village.'"

Describing the refugee reception centres, the dispatch added: "Tens of thousands are streaming into the country every day. When the trains arrive in the station, party assistants and their units are ready to look after everyone. The National Socialist Welfare Scheme distributes food; the Hitler boys carry luggage; political party officials give advice and information."

"In Berlin alone, in one of the big assembly centres, tens of thousands pass daily through the transit camps."

### Mercy Plane Trip

VANCOUVER (CP)—Augustus Robert Price, 50, Ganges Island farmer, was being rushed to Vancouver this afternoon by plane in the first lap of a mercy trip to the Mayo Brothers' clinic in Rochester, Minn.

### Kustrin, Defence Fort for Berlin, Falls to Zhukov

By JAMES F. KING

LONDON (AP)—The Russians with their fast-paced tanks and infantry have smashed to the banks of the Oder northwest of Kustrin at a point about 39 miles or less from Berlin, the German high command announced today.

The Berlin radio pictured Zhukov's army as ready for a head-on assault on German defences.

It was possible the Russians were even closer than 39 miles, for the German communiqué did not give the exact location of the penetration to the river. The Oder swings to within 28 miles of Berlin southwest of Kustrin.

But immediately northwest of Kustrin it is 39 miles from the capital and it seemed more likely that a point in the Kustrin vicinity was meant.

The eastern edge of Kustrin itself, one of the chief defences of the German capital, was reached by the swift Soviet punches rapidly spreading the fires of war to the heart of the Reich, said German broadcasts.

At a point 170 miles to the rear, the Russians liquidated one of the German knots of resistance in Poland. Marshal Stalin in an order of the day announced the capture of Torun (Thorn), a stronghold of 54,000 on the banks of the Vistula, after a week-long siege.

Along a 70-mile front Marshal Gregory Zhukov massed waves of tanks and infantry for a quick smash at Berlin's greatest defences.

But at the centre of his spearhead in the 40-mile wide Frankfurt salient between the Oder and the Warthe, the German high command said it had hurled in its reserves to halt the invading columns which already had broken through a defence shield 23 miles east of Frankfurt.

### Nazi Prisoners Say Panic in Berlin

Russian planes raked the Berlin-Frankfurt highways and Moscow dispatches said Nazi prisoners reported panic in the German capital because German civilians believed the airman's red flares were artillery flashes.

Officially, Moscow placed the closest Soviet approach to Berlin at 63 miles, but an Associated Press dispatch from Moscow virtually confirmed the German reports of a much deeper advance.

Kustrin, a 16th-century fortified town of 16,000, is on the east bank of the Oder and on the north bank of the Warthe at the confluence of the two rivers.

D.N.B., the German agency, said this key town, one of the chief defences of Berlin, was approached by Zhukov's forces on the north side of the Warthe which captured Landsberg and then moved on to Beyersdorf, 63 miles northeast of Berlin.

It was about Frankfurt, a city of 75,000 on the west side of the Oder 17 miles south of Kustrin, that the Germans had grouped their strongest fortifications along the line of the Oder to protect communications between Berlin and Breslau in Silesia.

With his wings spread out on a 70-mile front, Zhukov was preparing for a mighty battle along the Oder which might break German resistance and let the Red Army flood into Berlin.

### Nazis Try to Break Oder Ice Bridges

The Germans were reported dynamiting, shelling and bombing the Oder in a frantic attempt to break up natural ice bridges.

The Russians quoted German prisoners as saying large elements of the German air force had been stripped from the Cologne and Aachen sector of the western front as the Nazi high command threw in everything in an attempt to stop the Russians.

Meanwhile, Gauleiter-Dictator Paul Goebbels of Berlin was reported preparing a death-stand defence of Berlin.

"The enemy is ready to launch a frontal attack on the capital," the Berlin broadcast told the people.

Three Swedish travelers, who had just reached Sweden from Berlin, were quoted in a Stockholm dispatch as saying flashes from front-line artillery duels could be seen in Berlin. The thunder of battle, however, was not yet audible in the capital, they said.

Air passengers who arrived in Sweden Wednesday said that 10 to 20 evacuation trains were being run out of Berlin daily, taking residents to the southern province of Saxony. Swelled by refugees from the Russian drive into Pomerania and Brandenburg, the capital still was crowded. Many residents, unable to procure a normal meal at restaurants, were lining up at army soup kitchens, these sources added. Nonessential persons were being evacuated from Danzig and Stettin.

Along the entire eastern front from Königsberg, in East Prussia, to Budapest, the Hungarian capital, the Russians reported successes.

Marshal Stalin, in an order of the day, announced the capture of Friedland and Heilsburg, south and southwest of Königsberg. Soviet shells continued to fall in the streets of Königsberg as the Russians tightened the squeeze on German forces now holding about one-fifth of East Prussia.

At Budapest, the besieged German garrison is "putting up a desperate resistance," said the Russian communiqué, but "the hopelessness of their situation" prompted many of the defenders to lay down their arms. The Russians claimed 8,200 prisoners were taken Tuesday.

### Gripsholm at Sea; Canadians Aboard

LIVERPOOL, Eng. (Reuter)—While the Swedish liner Gripsholm was on her way to North America, carrying repatriated U.S. and Canadian prisoners from Marseilles, the liner Letitia was expected to arrive here late this afternoon, bringing home from German prison camps 721 officers and men, among whom there are three Canadians and 43 Australians.

The exchange will probably bring relatives of about 400 prisoners of war unexpected news of the return of their husbands and sons from Germany next week.

### Quebec Officer Freed On Luzon

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SOUTHWEST PACIFIC ADVANCE COMMAND (CP)—First Lieut. Robert Gordon Burke, listed on army records as from Quyon, Que., was among United States Army prisoners of war rescued from a Japanese prison camp by U.S. Rangers.

British prisoners of war rescued from the Japanese camp numbered 23 and included 18 army personnel, three civilians, one naval rating and one air force man.

### 100 Reported Dead In Mexican Wreck

MEXICO CITY (AP)—More than 100 persons were reported killed and about 150 injured today in a rear-end collision of trains at Cazadero, State of Hidalgo, about 100 miles north of here.

It was said a freight train crashed into the rear of a passenger train of pilgrims passing the station of Cazadero and bound for Mexico City. The pilgrims were returning from a religious festival for the Virgin Mary at San Juan de Los Lagos, in the State of Jalisco.

### Weather Forecast

Victoria and Vicinity—Friday: Moderate to fresh winds, cloudy and mild with light rain.  
Wednesday's Temperatures—Min. 49; Max. 45.  
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## R.A.F. Doctors Risk Lives in Experiments

NEW YORK (CP) — R.A.F. medical officers have risked their lives repeatedly in research, Air Marshal Sir Harold Whitingham, director-general of R.A.F. medical services, said in an address Wednesday night after receiving from the Institute of Aeronautical Sciences the John Jeffries award for outstanding contributions to aviation medicine.

Squad. Ldr. E. A. Pask had himself anesthetized, for 3½ hours during which he was tossed again and again into a swimming pool to test the flotation value to an unconscious man of various patterns of air-crew life-jackets.

## Benefit Societies Probe Continuing

VANCOUVER (CP) — George F. Cameron, counsel for the commission appointed by the provincial government to inquire into societies paying straight life benefits, began proceedings Wednesday leading to an inquiry of the Canadian Mutual Benefit Association.

Charles C. Bell, president of the association, produced evidence of the incorporation of the society in 1929 and amendments to by-laws passed by the association. The hearing continued today.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

All sorts of clothing, superfluous at rummage sale, Saturday, Feb. 3. No sales Friday, except from window. Committee for Medical Aid for China, 737 Pandora.

Dr. O. M. Jones I.O.D.E. Chapter coffee party, 11 to 1, followed by bridge; admission 50 cents; Elks' Hall, Feb. 6.

Esquimalt C.W.L. will hold a rummage sale, Friday and Saturday, Feb. 2 and 3, Thorburn Block, 902 Esquimalt Road, corner Head Street; No. 4 streetcar.

Esquimalt C.W.L. will sponsor a social evening Thursday at 8 p.m., Queen of Peace Parish Hall, Old Esquimalt Road. Proceeds to be donated to the Arena fund.

Overseas League, Monday, Feb. 6, Y.W.C.A. 3 p.m. Speaker, Miss Kathleen Agnew. Subject, "A Travelogue in Spain."

Twilight Rectal by St. Andrew's Presbyterian Choir at First Baptist Church, Sunday at 3.

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# 513 Allied Prisoners Held By Japs Freed By Daring Commando-Type Raid

SOUTHWEST PACIFIC ADVANCE COMMAND (AP)—Men of Bataan, Corregidor and Singapore—513 of them—were snatched from under the flaming muzzles of Japanese guns Tuesday night. Some 499 picked men of the United States 6th Ranger Battalion and Filipino guerrillas made a commando raid 25 miles behind Japanese lines to empty a prison camp.

They took the Japanese guards by surprise and rescued 496 Americans, 23 Britons, three Netherlands and one Norwegian—all who were left in the prison camp in Nueva Ecija Province of eastern Luzon.

Many more hundreds of more able-bodied war prisoners had been sent to work camps in Japan. Hundreds of others had died.

All but two of the men were brought out alive by the raiders who stormed into the prison stockade under command of Lt. Col. Henry Mucci of Bridgeport, Conn. The two men of the 513 rescued died en route to U.S. lines.

The Rangers attacked with such merciless precision that not one of the Japanese stockade guards was left alive or able to resist. And they attacked with such care that not one of the prisoners was scratched.

Within a matter of minutes all had been released and were on their 25-mile journey to freedom. Nearly 100 were so weak from malnutrition, disease and three-year-old wounds that they could not walk when they were cut loose from Japanese bondage.

This first mass liberation of Allied prisoners of war in the western Pacific was accomplished by an all-night forced march east of the U.S. lines to Cebu.

The commando force, made up of the 121 Rangers and 286 Filipinos in the guerrilla unit, left the U.S. lines under protection of air cover and reached the prison camp without detection.

Their swift, fierce attack caught the guards completely by surprise. The Japanese struck back violently and persistently as the rescue column headed back toward the 6th Ranger camp. Heavy, disproportionate Japanese losses were inflicted in battering down these tank-like attacks.

The commando raid, ordered on short notice when intelligence reports disclosed the whereabouts of the camp, was such a success that Gen. Douglas MacArthur, Allied Southwest Pacific Commander, decorated every man in the force.

The captives received the homage of thousands of U.S. soldiers who formed an impromptu honor guard, flanking a military highway down which the rescue party passed after it had returned to the U.S. lines.

The freed men showed their happiness, despite their sores and ulcers, wasted bodies and ragged clothes.

Some looked helplessly up from litters. Others were proudly erect. There were old men with grey hair and dazed, sunken eyes. Some were surprisingly young and almost at their normal weight. Others were limp from beri-beri.

Their shirts were tattered. Shorts were patched and re-patched. Several officers still proudly wore their emblems of rank.

Their sentiment was expressed by Capt. James B. Prippe, Los Angeles, former provost marshal on Corregidor. He said:

"The thrill of seeing those green-clad Rangers storm into the prison camp last night will never quite leave me."

The condition of the rescued men was reported to be fair. They are receiving every attention possible and are expected to improve rapidly, the communique said.

The raiders killed 523 Japanese and destroyed 12 tanks. The assaulting force lost 27 killed. Three others were wounded.

The British Edging Close to Mandalay

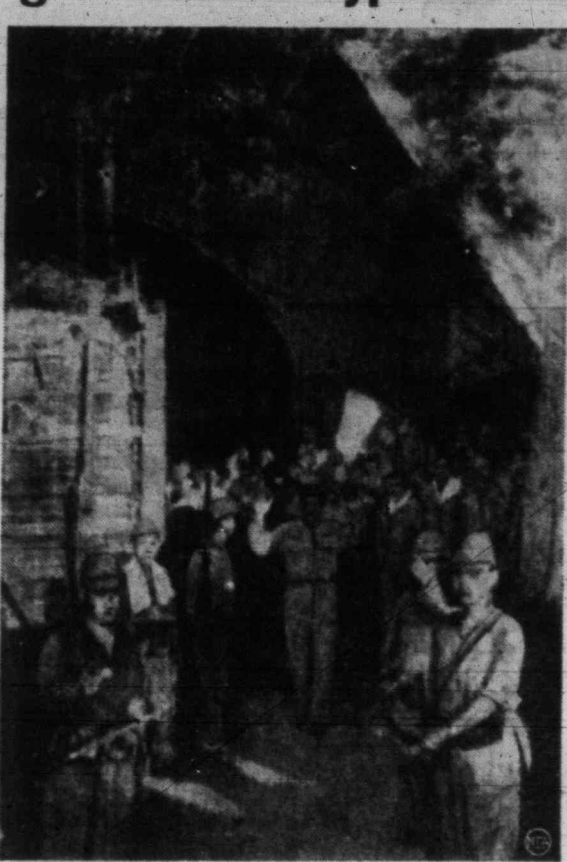
KANDY, Ceylon (CP)—British and Empire troops edged closer to Mandalay today, threatening to close the Japanese escape route southwestward from Burma's second city.

Kangaw, important town dominating the Taungup Road, was captured Jan. 30, headquarters disclosed. The Japanese have a strong concentration of artillery in that section and are counter-attacking fiercely despite their heavy losses, the communique said.

Further to the north, West African troops approached Monywa, 40 miles northwest of Mandalay.

British, Indian and West African troops of the 15th Indian Corps drove the Japanese out of Kangaw.

Victoria's Memorial Arena—It's now or never—do your bit!



**BEFORE DEATH MARCH**—U.S. troops leaving the Corregidor tunnels under Jap guards after the final Philippines surrender May 6, 1942. The grim "death march" of prisoners to Luzon camps followed. Some of the 513 Allied troops rescued Tuesday from Jap prison camp in eastern Luzon were among the survivors of Corregidor.

## Yanks Take Over Luzon Isle Base Abandoned By Japs

SOUTHWEST PACIFIC ADVANCE COMMAND (AP)—Subic Bay and its naval repair base of Olongapo, dotted with pillboxes but inexplicably abandoned by the Japanese, were taken in U.S. hands today while the east advanced U.S. elements rolled clear of a dangerous bottleneck passage only 28 road miles from Manila.

Well-fortified Grande Island, guarding the entrance to Subic Bay, was abandoned by the enemy and taken Tuesday by 8th Army troops. Units of the U.S. 7th Fleet then steamed into Subic Bay.

Other elements of the 8th Army moved by road along the inner rim of Subic Bay to capture the Olongapo naval base.

Today's Allied communique said that "we are now using this excellent anchorage, and development of a naval base is already under way."

Sixth Army troops 35 miles to the east meanwhile reached the town of Calumpit, 28 road miles from Manila, in a drive down an easily-defensible stretch of highway flanked by huge swamps.

**JAP RETREAT PUZZLING**  
Failure of the Japanese to put up a fight in this natural defense zone was as puzzling as the enemy's lack of opposition at Subic Bay.

One column of U.S. 6th Army troops, which has been moving southward from Lingayen, turned westward on the Bataan Peninsula road from San Fernando and captured Lubao. This represented a 10-mile advance to within 25 road miles of a junction with the 8th Army pressing eastward from the Zamboanga coast beachhead, established without bloodshed last Monday.

Such a juncture will seal off the Bataan Peninsula, which forms the western shore of Manila Bay. Japanese troops have fled into Bataan from San Fernando and other sectors to the northeast, and some are reported to have sought refuge there by boat from Manila.

**Medical Writer  
Commits Suicide**

KANSAS CITY (AP) — The body of Dr. Logan Clendenning, 60, widely-known physician, lecturer and writer on medical subjects, was found in bed at his home Wednesday, the throat and left wrist pierced in a manner which authorities reported left no doubt of suicide.

Detective Ben Tibbs quoted Dr. John N. Wheeler, a physician friend, as saying Dr. Clendenning had told him he intended to take his own life, and that the spectacular Kansas City had been morose and depressed lately, probably over ill-health.

Dr. Clendenning's pyjama-clad body was found by his wife.

Dr. Clendenning was best known for his syndicated column "Diet and Health," in which he expressed many unconventional ideas of his profession.

## Big Part in Peace For Small Nations

LONDON (CP)—Paul Martin, Canadian government delegate to the International Labor Organization Conference just conducted here, expressed the view in a speech to the Parliamentary Association today that small- and middle-sized countries must have a share in postwar action for the maintenance of peace.

Mr. Martin, Liberal M.P. for East Essex, Ont., and Parliamentary Assistant to Labor Minister Mitchell, served as chairman of an I.L.O. committee on constitution during the conference.

He said: "This time we know the end of the war does not mean peace; it means the opportunity for peace."

He said Canada is proud of the part she has played in setting up various functional and specialized bodies recently, but realizes these must be integrated into a wider organization designed to maintain peace, prevent aggression and provide for peaceful change.

He noted it is often said Canada is the interpreter of the United States to Great Britain, and a link between the old world and the new.

"I believe Canada's role is not merely that of an interpreter," he said. "Canada is a country whose economic status and increasing participation in international affairs have broadened her to her present maturity."

**School Tax Probe**

VANCOUVER (CP) — Unless complete plans are developed whereby local governments can be assured of adequate and stable revenues to maintain the local public school systems, "we face, soon after the war ceases, a complete breakdown of our public education system due to lack of sources of revenue to keep pace with progress we cannot halt."

It was stated Wednesday in a brief presented to Dr. Maxwell Cameron, commissioner for the inquiry into distribution of educational costs in B.C., by the Vancouver Board of School Trustees.

Broadening of powers of taxation of the local authority to tax the wealth of the community to ensure financing of essential services and adequate financial assistance from senior governments were recommended by the board as necessary for equitable distribution of education costs.

The board suggested that a system of annual grants, based on individual pupils, percentage of teachers' salaries, and a percentage of total approved costs, should be adopted.

**Nazi Human Torpedoes?**

LONDON (Reuter) — The German D.N.B. agency said today that "human torpedoes" of the German navy attacked Allied shipping in the Schelde estuary Monday night. It recently was announced that British naval units were engaged in "anti-U-boat" activity north of Walcheren Island, at the mouth of the Schelde.

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## Canadian Car Officers Upheld On Test Vote

MONTREAL (CP)—Management of the Canadian Car and Foundry Co. Ltd., accused by a group of shareholders of being inefficient and of having withheld information from the annual report, won Wednesday night a test vote that is accepted in financial circles as an indication ultimate voting at the annual meeting will sustain the company's present officers.

The vote was taken on a motion approving the action of president V. M. Drury in appointing three scrutineers, in his capacity as chairman. The 500 persons attending the meeting represented 475,399 shares and the vote showed 302,445 in favor of the motion and 172,954 against.

Alfred Kirby, Montreal stockbroker, who claims to be acting for a group of shareholders, has charged publicly that the company concealed pertinent information in the annual report and planned expenditures unjustified by the financial position of the company.

**COURT ACTION FAILS**  
He instituted action in Superior Court to have the Eastern Trust Co. designated as depository of proxies instead of A. C. Bourne, Canadian Car secretary, but his application was dismissed.

The company, in paid newspaper advertisements, has denied the allegations and asserted the shareholders have been kept fully informed.

John T. Hackett, who was counsel for Mr. Kirby, objected to the appointment of the scrutineers from the outset of the meeting, but he was ruled out of order.

Mr. Hackett asserted the shareholders were gathered to "find out where control lies," and charged at one point that the management was trying to "crash" a ruling "down the throats of a minority."

## More Aircraft Workers May Go to Seattle

VANCOUVER (CP) — Possibility that a new movement of Vancouver aircraft workers to Seattle may be arranged, was hinted at again today by Selective Service officials.

Regional officials said the matter of a further movement had been discussed, presumably between S.S. officials of Canada and the U.S. and Boeing Company officials, but that nothing definite had yet come from these discussions.

About 10 or 15 more workers are needed to complete the first movement to the Boeing plant in Seattle.

## Growth Impressive In Life Insurance

"The year 1944 has seen an impressive growth of life insurance in Canada," said Hon. Howard Ferguson, president, at the annual meeting of the Crown Life Insurance Company. "Both the number of policies in force and their aggregate amount have rapidly increased as the volume of new applications has steadily risen, accompanied by a marked decline in the percentage of policies discontinuing."

"Still more important is the strong financial position shown by the annual reports of the companies which are being published from day to day in the press. The long and unbroken record of good stewardship for which Canadian life insurance is known both in Canada and in many other countries of the world is being well maintained."

"The true measure of a man is his character, and the same test applies to a business. Canadian life insurance has stood the test through good times and bad, in wartime and peace. Its record alone is evidence of how exaggerated and unfounded have been the criticisms made at times by persons obviously actuated by political motives."

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"As an indication of how public opinion has reacted to such erroneous statements, will you pardon me if I attempt to clarify the situation with a personal reference. It is now seven odd years since I was first elected president of this company. During that period, the amount of Crown Life insurance in force has doubled and the amount of its assets has more than doubled. Results such as this could never have been achieved except in an atmosphere of approval and good will on the part of the public."

"During 1944, the growth of our business and membership exceeded that of any previous year in the history of the company. The total of insurance in force grew from \$308,000,000 to over \$350,000,000. The assets grew from \$60,000,000 to over \$69,000,000. Substantial increases were made in the dividend reserve and surplus fund. This record of vigorous and well-balanced progress is the strongest encouragement to the continued best effort of everyone in the company's organization, in whatever capacity he may be."

**Rob Benefactor**

BURNABY, B.C. (CP) — Two men, dressed in army uniform, held up and robbed William Dunn MacIver of Surrey of \$62 after he had given them a lift in his automobile Wednesday night.

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## Claim Against Estate

VANCOUVER (CP)—Norman W. Whittaker, K.C., is appearing in the B.C. Supreme Court here to defend a \$9,109 claim against the estate of the late Sydney Charles Ruck, Victoria operator of a fish reduction plant.

The case opened Wednesday before Mr. Justice J. M. Coady, with Reginald Symes presenting

the case of E. A. Towns Ltd., Vancouver exporters and importers.

The Vancouver firm alleged the Ruck estate is indebted for advances made under a six-year-old agreement relating to the financing of the Shingle Bay Packing Company's plant on Pender Island, and the sales of its products.

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VANCOUVER (CP)—Body of an air force man was found washed up on the sand at Jericho Beach in the Point Grey district late Wednesday. Identification was sought.

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## Today's WAR NEWS Analysis

By J. M. ROBERTS JR.,  
Associated Press Staff Writer

Regardless of the outcome of the battle of the Oder, which approaches hourly nearer, there are two items in recent German dispatches which overshadowed by the Russian advance along the Warthe, nevertheless may play an important role in Hitler's collapse.

A few days will tell whether the Germans have been able to devise any real defence before Berlin—whether the Russians are to continue unchecked, or whether they will have to stop at the river as they did at the Vistula last summer.

However, if the Russians are at Sorau farther south, as the Germans say, any massing of Nazi strength in the Frankfurt area may mean little more than have the holdouts at Torun, Poznan, Elbing and Koenigsberg.

While Sorau is twice as far from Berlin as Frankfurt, there is one big difference. It is 30 miles west of the Oder, well inside the area where Germany was supposed to have strong defences. That could mean much or little regarding defences farther north. The important thing is that the 75 miles between what the Germans call Marshal Konev's northern anchor and

Berlin is through flat country, somewhat more wooded than Zhukov's direct route, but crisscrossed by only minor water courses. If Konev is making a major effort there (and it would be normal for the Russians to keep silent about such a move until its outcome was foreseeable) the German army and Berlin could be placed in a position similar to that which would have occurred last fall had the western allies, crossing at Arnheim, pushed up the east bank of the Rhine toward Dortmund.

The other report serves more as a reminder that, regardless of any delays which may occur at the Oder or because of such "Banzai charges" as that of the Belgian bulge, Hitler's clock has about run down. The Germans mention renewed Russian attacks

## Journalism Awards

VANCOUVER (CP)—Awards offered for students of the University of British Columbia in the interests of journalism have been passed by the board of governors and now are subject to approval by the senate, it was announced Wednesday night by Walter H. Gage, chairman of the joint faculty committee on prizes, scholarships and bursaries.

Each competitor must submit five original articles published or suitable for publication in the university's paper or other newspapers, during the year preceding the awards. These articles may be news stories, feature articles, reports, reviews or editorials.

south of Lake Balaton in Hungary.

## Snowplows Keep Roads Open In North Grey As Polling Nears

OWEN SOUND, Ont. (CP)—By-election talk seethed through the riding of North Grey today from the streets and meeting places of Owen Sound to the back concessions.

The talk among the constituents everywhere is of little else than their by-election as voting day, Feb. 5, draws near. To outsiders visiting the constituency the voters don't seem to have been greatly moved by the election oratory of the past month. But from their conversation there can be no doubt of their interest in the by-election brought on by the government's efforts to gain a Commons seat for Defence Minister McNaughton.

Speaking at Meaford Wednesday night, Defence Minister McNaughton served notice that the next time he spoke he would "tear to pieces" the statement made Wednesday by Progressive Conservative Leader Bracken that overseas reinforcements were inadequate.

## TONIGHT'S PROGRAM

Gen. McNaughton, the Liberal candidate, will speak tonight at Maxwell and Walter's Falls. The C.C.F. candidate, Air Vice-Marshal A. E. Godfrey will speak in Owen Sound from the same platform as M. J. Colwell, his party leader, and Hon. John Sturdy, reconstruction minister in Saskatchewan's C.C.F. government. Mr. Bracken and the Conservative candidate, Garfield Case, will address a meeting at Meaford.

One of the worst storms of the winter blew across the constituency Wednesday night. Main highways, however, have been

kept open to motor traffic by plows working night and day. Back roads held heavy going even for cutters.

Returning officers said if 70 per cent of 23,000 registered voters cast a ballot the turnout would be considered good. But they said voting hinges on the weather and whether or not it keeps rural voters at home.

## "NO AUTHORITY"

Wednesday, Mr. Bracken criticized the government reinforcement plan on the basis of his personal survey at the battlefronts, just completed. In the evening Gen. McNaughton termed Mr. Bracken "no authority on these matters," and said the Progressive Conservative leader's statement about inadequate reinforcements was "loose."

At Kimberley, Mr. Godfrey spoke out for the "old sweat" of 1918 and the "veterans of 1945," saying the government had no plan to ensure work for them.

## BACKED BY HEPBURN

HAMILTON, Ont. (CP)—Mitchell F. Hepburn, Liberal leader in the Ontario Legislature, expressed hope that Defence Minister McNaughton would win the North Grey by-election "in the interests of national unity." He was addressing the convention of the Shoe Manufacturers' Association of Canada here Wednesday night.

"For the purposes of prosecuting this war to its ultimate successful conclusion Andy McNaughton should win North Grey," Mr. Hepburn said. "Yes, I know that's quite a statement coming from me but I feel the need of tolerance at this critical time."

## Canadian 'Canoe Commandos' Liquidate Nazis At Maas Position

By DOUGLAS AMARON  
WITH THE 1ST CANADIAN ARMY IN HOLLAND (CP)—White-clad Canadian infantrymen in canoes reinforced against ice slipped down the Maas River in an attempt to cut off the enemy during the first day of the five-day attack on the German bridgehead south of the river at Kapelschever, in Holland.

The bitter attack ended early Wednesday with the liquidation of the enemy force which had held this island position 12 miles north and slightly west of Tilburg.

Picked especially for the job and trained for two weeks in advance, the Canadians were spotted by the Germans before they reached their objectives and had to put in to shore after losing some men from machine-gun fire. They finished the fight in their normal infantry role.

Capt. Dick Dickie of Welland, Ont., commanded these "canoe commandos" whose Paris-built craft were somewhat similar to Canadian pleasure canoes. Two men traveled in each canoe and they carried rifles and other small arms.

Cpl. Gordon Flewelling of St. Catharines and Pte. Walter Hady of Winnipeg met five enemy parachutists laying mines and dispersed them with fire. The Germans came back an hour later and again the signallers sent them on their way, wounding one whose groans Hady heard.

The signallers were disturbed by the German mortar fire which cut their lines several times, but said it couldn't be compared with the pounding the Canadian, British and Polish guns gave the Germans.

"It's a wonder the island wasn't sunk," said Flewelling.

## State Guard Called To Aid Transport

NEW YORK (AP)—Governor Thomas E. Dewey called out the State Guard from Albany to Bulfinch and pleaded for the services of every man not engaged in war production to combat a weather-born transportation crisis that has brought dangerous shortages of fuel, food and feed.

Public works superintendent Charles H. Seils, designated by Mr. Dewey Wednesday to Marshal the state's forces after the Governor had declared an emergency, issued orders to "crack down on hoarders and chiselers."

Seils decreed that all pleas for emergency allotment of coal, food or farm feed must be investigated by welfare authorities in cities or by state police in rural areas.

All schools, stores, amusement places and other public buildings were closed in Syracuse and Albany. Many office buildings were unheated or heated just enough to prevent damage by freezing.

## 3 Youths Charged With Manslaughter

SEATTLE (AP)—The fatal beating of 16-year-old John Emberg in the Washington County jail's juvenile tank two weeks ago brought a second degree murder charge Wednesday against Charles B. Thomas, Donald Beal and Chester Mabe, all 16. Prosecutor Lloyd Shorett also filed statutory charges against four other boys who were in the cell that day or during the previous two weeks.

## Saskatchewan Buys Clay Products Plant

REGINA (CP)—Resources Minister Phelps announced today that the brick manufacturing plant and other properties of the International Clay Products Co. Ltd. of Estevan, Sask., have been purchased by the provincial government for \$150,000 cash.

The government will proceed to modernize the Estevan plant at an estimated cost of \$50,000, with resumed production expected by July 1.

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Minard's Liniment	29c	Prophylactic Tooth Brush	25c
Children's Own Tablets	25c	Ex Lax	15c and 33c
Baby's Own Tablets	23c	Dodd's Kidney Pills	44c
Fellow's Syrup		Elliman's Embrocation	50c
Hypophosphites	89c and 1.39	Vaseline, Yellow	10c and 15c
Absorbine Junior	98c and 1.95	Williams' Pink Pills	50c
Cystex	33c, 69c and 1.39	Ironized Yeast	98c
Milburn's Health and Nerve Pills	47c	Dandarine Hair Tonic	39c, 68c and 1.13
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# FINAL RECKONING NEAR?

MOSCOW AND BERLIN ARE AN-  
nouncing the progress of the Russian  
armies toward the capital of the Reich with  
a regularity which permits the peoples of  
the world to follow developments with com-  
parative ease. And it is also interesting to  
note that Nazi radio broadcasters—in keep-  
ing with the enemy's policy of forestalling  
Marshal Stalin's orders-of-the-day—are still  
ahead of Russian communiques in their  
reports of the dwindling distance separating the  
Red armies from their main objective.  
As this is written, the nearest fighting to  
Berlin is less than 40 miles away, or nearer  
than Duncan is to Victoria.

Concentration of the world's gaze on  
Berlin automatically attracts attention al-  
most entirely to Marshal Zukhov's drive  
straight along the main railway from War-  
saw through Poznan to the German capital.  
At what time and where this will reveal  
the character of the enemy's defences we  
should learn soon. Without being too cock-  
sure, however, it begins to look as if the  
Nazi high command has reached the con-  
clusion that nothing is likely to stem the  
victorious Russian advance. And the Herr  
Doktor Goebbels says the capital will be  
defended street by street, house by house,  
and that everything of use to the Allies  
will be blown sky-high when no other  
alternative remains to the defenders. But  
it would be wise, perhaps, not to rule out  
completely the ability of the enemy to  
spring a surprise before the capital disinte-  
grates from within or the pulverization of  
its physical structure is completed by  
Russian artillery.

If it is the intention of the Nazi hier-  
archy to fight to the last, then, as we have  
intimated in these columns before, the  
mountains and forests of Bavaria and Wuer-  
temberg, from the Rhine to the Danube,  
would be the innermost ring of the fortress  
Europe. That ring would already be ade-  
quately garrisoned and supplied for some  
months. Time is the main consideration in  
the strategy of resistance—time to create  
divisions by creating divisions among the  
Allies, as to who is not performing accord-  
ing to promise, or who is attempting to steal  
a march in the division of the spoils. For  
to the Nazi mentality the spoils of war are  
the main consideration. That is why the  
Germans make war.

# BOYHOOD OUTGROWN

IN THE YOUTH OF ITS DEVELOPMENT,  
Saanchik could adopt the role of the happy  
farmer's boy and spend its time in overalls  
and a straw hat. But the municipality has  
been growing rapidly; it needs a new suit  
now. And costs of that new suit will end  
the carefree days of municipal adolescence.  
No longer will it find the meagre pocket-  
money which was municipal revenue ade-  
quate for the obligations of adulthood.

The Saanchik Council served very clear  
notice of that point on Tuesday night as  
members explained financial difficulties to  
ratepayers seeking road improvements.  
Already the municipality has outgrown the  
stage where the little red schoolhouse was  
sufficient educationally. As it makes pro-  
vision for better accommodation in this  
respect for its sons and daughters, the  
municipality has to dip deeper into its  
pockets. Reeve E. C. Warren and Councillor  
T. Alexander saw the necessity for ex-  
pansion of local improvement financing to meet  
the district's needs. Councillor J. L. Hobbs  
said nothing could be done in the public  
works field unless taxes were raised. Coun-  
cillor Robert Noble was confident residents  
would not mind higher taxes if such in-  
creases meant extension of improvements.  
The general discussion tended to point to  
the fact that, as far as extremely low tax-  
ation is concerned, Saanchik "has had it."

It might be valuable for the municipality,  
facing the needs of the present and future  
and the accompanying necessity of higher  
taxation, to study a little more carefully  
schemes by which co-ordinated services  
could produce greater efficiency with the  
minimum increase in costs. That is one of  
the most telling arguments for amalgama-  
tion in a Greater Victoria. Saanchik, with its  
increasing urban population, cannot afford  
to ignore the question.

# CHIANG KAI-SHEK'S GESTURE

CEREMONIES ATTENDING THE OPEN-  
ing of the Lido-Burma Road, the new  
supply route for materials stored in India  
and destined for China, carry a significance  
beyond the very important matter of supply  
itself. Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek has  
suggested the road be renamed in honor of  
Gen. Joseph W. Stilwell, whose departure  
from the China theatre last year drew atten-  
tion to discouraging internal dissension in  
that republic.

The gesture of the Generalissimo, even if  
it is nothing more significant than a gesture  
of good will to the United States and one of  
that country's able military commanders,  
may be interpreted by the man in the street  
in New York or Council Bluffs, Iowa, as the  
sporting thing to do. Some may consider it  
as the reflection of a contrite spirit, a con-  
fession from the political leader of China  
that he "missed the bus" when he did not

make allowances for "Vinegar Joe's" blunt  
and forthright manner of doing business—  
whether of a military or diplomatic nature.  
And that element in the United States which  
is prone to feel that China is not making  
adequate use of such equipment as has  
reached her from American arsenals may  
see in this simple action of naming the road  
after one of their compatriots something  
resembling the turning over a new leaf.  
Such an interpretation, of course, would  
scarcely stand up under meticulous analysis.  
But psychology has played such a large and  
influential part in the conduct of this war  
that the simple gesture is not to be ignored  
as entirely inconsequential.

On the other hand, the recent visit of our  
neighbor's production chief, Mr. Donald Nel-  
son, undoubtedly has had highly beneficial  
effects on China's war economy and her in-  
dustrial possibilities—the latter taking on  
added significance as the new means of  
transport communication begins to make its  
effect felt. It will mean, almost at once,  
greater supplies of essential materials with-  
out serious interruption beyond natural cli-  
matic and other conditions peculiar to that  
part of the world.

The old Burma Road, with its tortuous  
spiral, was an impressive symbol of China's  
fortitude as well as a highway for the neces-  
sary flow of goods to Chungking. So must  
the "Stilwell Road" be regarded as another  
symbol which carries the message of closer  
co-operation between the far eastern republic  
and the rest of the United Nations. And it  
behoves all Occidental peoples to remember,  
in trying to understand the political situation  
in China's capital, that our Oriental ally has  
suffered from the ravages of war as no  
other nation has suffered.

# THE CALIPHATE

THE MEETING BETWEEN KING FA-  
rouk of Egypt and King Ibn Saud of  
Arabia is as important in the eyes of the  
Middle East as that between the leaders of  
the three great powers is in the eyes of the  
world. The basic bond of the Middle East is  
Mahomedanism. From the boundaries of  
China across to the Balkans, from northern  
India deep into darkest Africa and north to  
Morocco on the Mediterranean, the vast ma-  
jority of the people are Mahomedans. But  
today, imposed on that religious faith is the  
urge of progress and a general desire to  
secure the benefits of modern technique by  
application to ancient circumstance.

A very large proportion of the states of  
the Middle East were an integral portion of  
the old Turkish Empire. The last of the  
Sultans, "Abdul the Damned," known as the  
"sick man of Europe," was the Caliph to all  
Mahomedans until 1912, which saw the  
beginning of Turkey's exodus from Europe.  
The Great War finished the process, the  
price of alliance with the Kaiser's Reich.  
Then came the Young Turk, or nationalist,  
movement and the eventual emergence of  
Kemal Pasha, later affectionately known  
and still well remembered as Ataturk. Before  
his death, incidentally, he warned his coun-  
trymen to keep out of war, if honor per-  
mitted, but if they had to fight, never to  
fight on Germany's side, because success  
with her meant ultimate defeat for her  
pawns. It was under Ataturk, however, that  
Turkey underwent a complete social and  
political transformation—the modern state  
we know today which sits astride the high-  
ways of traffic from Europe to the East.  
But the Caliphate of Mahomedanism has  
been the glittering political prize of the en-  
tire geographical area in which that religion  
predominates. What the Hapsburgs in Eu-  
rope were to the Holy Roman Empire, so is  
the Caliphate to the Middle East.  
Ibn Saud, King of the Hedjaz, holds  
Mecca and Medina, the holy places, and  
claims the Caliphate. He is a great fighter,  
a great leader, and a great Bedouin Arab  
ruler. He rides in a motor or at the head of  
a camel corps with equal facility. His terri-  
tory is contiguous to Egypt. Both he and  
King Farouk have the same views with re-  
gard to an Arab federation and Palestine.  
Whether they can get together on the ques-  
tion of the Caliphate is another matter.

# THE EXPERTS PONDER

THREE SPEAKERS MET IN THE CHAM-  
ber of Commerce auditorium last Friday  
night and reached the conclusion that inde-  
pendence for India should be no longer  
delayed. One of the debaters—a talented  
lady from Hornby Island—looked believe India  
was not yet ready to rule herself. "Subject  
peoples," she argued, "are never fit for self-  
government in the minds of those who would  
go on bossing them." And a young East  
Indian, of course, was impatient of any  
policy short of the immediate ending of  
British rule and influence. The third speaker  
warned Canadians that they could not escape  
responsibility for India.

Apart from the fact that Canadians have  
a little problem of their own on their hands,  
what strikes the average citizen of this  
country is the airy way a few people of  
similar outlook get together and pontificate  
on one of the world's most difficult and com-  
plex problems as if the fate of 400,000,000  
citizens of the great sub-continent—with all  
its social, religious and racial conflicts—can  
be settled almost as easily as falling off the  
proverbial log. If only the stupid and mercen-  
ary British would get out and leave the  
East Indians to their own devices, they  
imply, all would be well. Save us from these  
experts!

# NOTES

The advantage in being a pessimist about  
the war is that you enjoy being proved  
wrong.

It might be nearer the truth if the self-  
made martyr would say: "I have given you  
the worst years of my life."

Even the narrowest of communities for-  
gives the sins of a young man if he is hand-  
some and makes lots of money.

# House Hunting

By B. T. RICHARDSON

WASHINGTON.

AFTER THE greatest expansion in its his-  
tory, Washington is suffering a housing  
hangover, so that a newcomer's letters back  
home are filled with tales of house-hunting.  
A newly arrived columnist devoted his  
column for two weeks to blood-curdling tales  
of futile search for lodgings, adding to Wash-  
ington's notoriety across the country as  
most-congested area in the world. This is  
the glamorous Hollywood view, and Wash-  
ington people have had considerable enjoy-  
ment out of the reputation their city has  
gained from seam-bursting congestion.

Three days convinced me Washington  
has nothing on Ottawa as a crowded city,  
though it is five times as big or more. You  
might get a job in a Massachusetts Avenue  
mansion as a butler or maid in order to have  
a place to sleep. You might chase ambu-  
lances around, hoping to obtain houses left  
by traffic casualties.

You might do these things if you took  
Hollywood movies as gospel, or if you be-  
lieved all the stories circulating by print and  
by word. But if you decided to act your  
age, you would do just what common sense  
dictates. You would go home-hunting with-  
out tears and without despair. Arriving with  
two hotel reservations, I have five prospects  
for apartments and houses after four days  
in town. None of these may materialize. I  
have also had what I take to be the Ameri-  
can cold shoulder from three rental agents.  
But a lady in Georgetown district, who wants  
to make a visit to California, called me up  
to say I could have her house for two weeks,  
maybe more. I pondered this, and called her  
back to turn it down.

ONE MEETS INTERESTING people. Also  
one gets to know the city. On both  
counts, house-hunting provides valuable ex-  
perience. After reading a high-priced writer  
to the effect that the American people, under  
the strain of war, were losing charm and  
politeness, one ventures into Washington  
with trepidation. But after the third rental  
agent has pleasantly warmed one's hopes for  
a house or apartment, listened sympa-  
thetically to one's desires, and offered honest  
news and views on the situation, the outlook  
looks less bleak. I made an expedition six  
and a half miles out and had a look around  
at a nice suburban area. The air was bracing  
and the "for sale" sign was hanging on  
dozens of houses. Like every crowded city,  
Washington has a real estate boom and  
everyone wanting to sell has added three or  
four thousand dollars to house values. Rents,  
too, seem high, but numerous parties as-  
sured me the rental control was very severe.

Waving down a taxi, I noticed the driver  
was a grey-haired woman, someone's grand-  
mother. As we drove along, she tooted the  
horn gently at a big black car. "You  
wouldn't think they could drive a car like  
that on an A ration," she said. So I asked  
her how long she had been driving a taxi.  
"More than two years," she said, "and I've  
lost my insurance company only \$3.50 in  
that time. Now, that's pretty good." I said:  
"That's practically perfect."

WASHINGTON IS intimate like that. It  
is a city of marble buildings and long  
sweeping avenues, of Negro tenements and  
castles behind high walls, of big and small  
hotels and miles of American homes. Some  
of its people and some of its newspapers  
run a temperature with excitement every  
day over things like the airplane ride of  
President Roosevelt's daughter-in-law's dog.  
Washington can dish up a sensation every  
day. Most of them will be as cold as an old  
pancake by tomorrow. So the problem for  
a reporter will be to avoid writing with excite-  
ment all the time. Nothing is ever all black  
or all white.

Right now, in January, 1945, the mercury  
of Washington's optimism is beginning to  
rise. One feels it everywhere, after a week  
of headlines on the great Russian offensive  
in Poland and into Germany. "It might be  
over soon," is the common talk. But the  
whole civilian front is tightening up, in post-  
poning conversion back to peacetime produc-  
tion, in stricter rationing, in tighter man-  
power controls. These are the things one  
will write about in the next few weeks, to  
give the lowdown on Washington. It is  
strange how little toll on the vitality of  
America is evident from the effects of a na-  
tion maintaining four armies in France, an-  
other in Italy, and still another in the Philip-  
pines, along with a massive naval effort in  
the Pacific. Small shortages streak the  
civilian front. But hardships? No. Only a  
very great nation could fight on this scale  
at these distances, and the United States is  
doing it.

# GENEROUS SCOTS

From St. Catharines Standard

There have been thousands of Canadian  
soldiers given sacred hospitality in Scottish  
homes in both wars. A year ago this month,  
two St. Catharines Red Cross girls went to  
Glasgow. They had bacon and eggs for the  
first meal. Royal venison for another, and  
the neighbor brought in a big ham to finish  
out the visit. Coming from duress in Lon-  
don and receiving this sacrificial hospitality  
in Glasgow is a memory which will be ever  
green and fragrant to these young women.  
They had no claims to Scottish lineage; they  
were just Canadians. But when they were  
under that Glasgow roof, they were God's  
chosen children.

Note on appreciation: We let the Span-  
iards have oil. In return they soaked us \$10  
a pound last year for tungsten ore worth  
15 cents.

A nation has lost something valuable  
when everybody in public is reluctant to ex-  
press a decent sentiment for fear it will  
sound "corny."

# Letters to the Editor

GRAY'S PROPHECY

I feel sure that many of your  
readers will agree that one of the most  
remarkable prophecies ever  
recorded was made by Thomas  
Gray, the poet. As evidence, I  
offer these lines by him, written  
in 1737:

The time will come when thou  
shalt lift thine eyes  
To watch a long-drawn battle in  
the skies,  
While aged peasants, too much  
amazed for words,  
Stare at the flying flocks of won-  
drous birds.  
England, so long the mistress of  
the sea,  
Where wind and waves confess  
sovereignty,  
Her ancient triumphs yet on high  
shall bare  
And reign the sovereign of the  
conquered air.  
W. S. OLDFIELD.

# THE 1883-1884 BRIGADE

I was greatly interested in the  
H. L. Salmon letter which ap-  
peared in your paper a few days  
ago. I am one of the surviving  
members of the 1883 Victoria  
Fire Brigade, which operated  
under the late Thomas Deasey,  
who was foreman of the hook  
and ladder company.

I also remember Harry L. Sal-  
mon as a valuable and hard-  
working member of the depart-  
ment.  
There were three departments  
in the brigade, consisting of  
"The Tiger," "The Deluge," and  
"Union Hook and Ladder." The  
late Charlie Phillips acted as  
chief and Johnnie Morley was  
his assistant. I served with the  
department for two years. I also  
remember the following persons,  
namely, Pat Deasey, Charlie  
Smith, Arthur Smith, Billy Smith,  
Tommy Lawson, Miles Lawson,  
Johnnie Manson, Jim Johnston  
and Tommy Farrell as being  
members of the Fire Brigade of  
that time.

If there are any members of  
the 1883-84 brigade still alive, I  
would certainly like to hear from  
them and maybe we could get  
together and talk over our ex-  
periences of that time.  
JIM KENNEDY,  
908 Russell Street

# THIS WAR—FOUR YEARS AGO

Feb. 1, 1941—German long-  
range guns pounded British coast  
from French shore. R.A.F. at-  
tacked docks at Brest, British and  
Indian forces captured Agordat,  
rail centre in Italian Eritrea.  
Two enemy planes downed in  
raid on Malta.

Higher education has failed in  
this country because it has  
accepted the materialistic stand-  
ards of society and has declined  
to provide independent centres of  
thought and criticism. — Dr.  
Robert Maynard Hutchins, pres-  
ident U. of Chicago.

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# MONTY'S DOG

From St. Thomas Times-Journal  
Several months ago the corre-  
spondents at his headquarters in  
France learned that Field Mar-  
shal Montgomery, who is quite a  
"doggy" man, mourned the fact  
that he had no dogs around. So  
one of them scouted around and  
found a Frenchman who had  
three young wire-haired terriers.  
The pups had been promised, but  
the reporter persuaded the owner  
to part with one of them to the  
great British general. This pup  
had been christened "Shic," and  
when Shic was delivered, the  
chief decided in his own mind  
that the dog's full name had been  
intended to be "Shickelgruber,"  
which was Hitler's real name.  
So he called him Hitler. And,  
maybe, the "Rommel" dog got  
his name because Monty had  
been able to bring Field Marshal  
Rommel to heel.

# HELPING THE LITTLE CHAP

From Boston Globe  
A navy officer learned that in  
Rome it is best to do as the Ro-  
mans do—and that is to keep  
hands off somebody else's fights.  
He came out of a store in Rome  
and found two Italians fighting  
at the curb. One was big; the  
other was small.  
The officer went to the rescue  
of the small chap and sent the  
big one on his way. The small  
fellow shouted his thanks and  
ran down the street.  
The officer smiled with the  
happiness of a man who has done  
a good deed. Then an Italian by-  
stander stepped up to him and  
explained.  
The big fellow had been beating  
up the small one because the  
small one was stealing articles  
from the navy officer's jeep.

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## Groulx, Quebec's Gandhi, Defines National Unity

(This is the second of a series of articles dealing with the attitude of the French-Canadians in Quebec.)

By CLIFFORD M. SIFTON  
MONTREAL (Special).—“Coming to this province and not talking to Abbe Groulx would be like going to India and not talking to Gandhi.” Thus spoke Victor Soucisse, Montreal advertising and public relations expert who arranged an interview for this reporter with the famous professor of history at the University of Montreal.

Canon Lionel Groulx, to give him his present title, has been variously described by his friends and his enemies as a prophet and a knave. Of his influence among his own people there can be no doubt.

“He is one of the authorized leaders of our ethnic group,” says Roger Duhamel, president of the Saint Jean-Baptiste Society in Montreal.

Gordon O. Rothney, of Sir George Williams College, who translated the Canon's speech on “Why we are divided,” says that he “has a way of turning his students into disciples fired with a burning zeal.” Speaking in Vancouver a month ago Senator T. D. Bouchard accused Canon Groulx of being “the hidden leader of the Jacques Cartier secret order, and its overt political machine, the Bloc Populaire,” groups, which, in the senator's opinion, are working underground to set up an independent French Catholic state in the province of Quebec.

These descriptions evoke the picture of a powerful man.

**LITTLE MAN**  
Confusing thoughts with stature, this reporter rather expected to find a man of impressive physical appearance. But Canon Groulx is small in stature, and the big oak desk at which he was working when we entered his study, the high swivel chair in which he swung round to greet us, and the long winter shadows in the unlighted room all enhanced his slightness of build.

Canon Groulx has been accused by his enemies of fanaticism, and as we settled ourselves into a huge leather armchair we asked him if he would answer this charge.

The words came fast, and as they came dancing lights in the depths of eyes stressed the power of his feelings, and underlined, in their own way, certain words and phrases much more effectively than physical gestures could have done.

“I am not a fanatic. I always ask people who say I am a fanatic if they have read my books. They invariably say no.”

“Have you read any of my books?” he asked.

Faced with those penetrating eyes this reporter was glad to be able to say that he knew the argument in “Why we are divided”—a speech made in the fall of 1943 in which the professor summarized his view on national unity in this country of ours.

**CASE OF DISUNITY**  
Our talk followed closely the lines of that address. The following summary of Canon Groulx's views is based both on that speech and on his own words in our interview.

“What is the true cause of national disunity?”

“Basically it is the failure of the English-speaking Canadians to recognize the French Fact. Let us say it. The two races do not get along well because one of them wants legal equality all right, but on condition that it keeps for itself the lions' share.”

“There does exist a category of open-minded Englishmen with whom we can get along. But there exists another which cannot realize that everybody does not think and feel a la Anglo-Saxonne, has not the same reactions as Anglo-Saxons; as if the human race inhabited an Anglo-Saxon universe. I certainly do not deny Anglo-Saxon greatness, but can they not recognize in certain circles that the Anglo-Saxon constitutes only 10 per cent of the world's population.”

As evidence of this failure to recognize the French Fact, Canon Groulx mentioned the question of minority rights granted French Canadians in provinces other than Quebec. In most provinces French Canadians do not enjoy the rights of a minority which the French Canadian majority in the province of Quebec grants English-speaking Protestants.

**MINORITY RIGHTS**  
“How could the granting of like minority rights in other provinces endanger unity?” he asked.

“If we refused such rights as separate schools and the teaching of English in the public schools to our minority in this province, we would be accused of trying to wipe out that minority.”

“Why do we have here this obstinate opposition to French, not only in its official use in the political sphere, but even to its being taught in minority schools. Why this opposition to French

influence in the federal civil service and even within the ministerial offices? Why this persistent effort to limit the French fact to the borders of Quebec? How can such facts be explained? And if it were we who were guilty of such an attitude, what would our English-Canadian friends see at the bottom of it? If not the reflexes of a still virulent racialism, the old spirit of the conqueror always thirsting for domination and knowing well how to keep a respectful distance between races?”

“We need wonder no further

by what phenomenon the right to think, to feel and to act French-Canadian became narrow provincialism and, in wartime, isolationism.”

“I know of only one form of extremism among French-Canadians—extreme candor, credulity, extremism in humbling themselves before the English.”

The failure to recognize the French fact has brought about misunderstanding of the true meaning of confederation, which Canon Groulx considers “the legal expression of a free collaboration between race and between provinces. The political authority of Quebec does not rest on any delegated powers. It is in no way an emanation of the Canadian government or of the English government.” (Quotations from “Why We Are Divided.”)

With these arguments in mind, we asked Canon Groulx what he deemed a true Canadianism.

“When all Canadians can agree on Canada as their first and only fatherland, on the principles of confederation and on the maintenance of a double culture, all causes of division should be eliminated. If we could apply logically the spirit of the Westminster Statute, this would form the basis of real Canadianism. The logical outcome of this would be a national flag and a national anthem.”

“We must resolve our problems ourselves and not leave them in the hands of the Privy Council.”

“These things would hasten the day when a French-Canadian could feel at home in every corner of Canada.”

With these words Canon

Groulx rose from his chair to say goodbye. “We had felt the power of his dogma. Our mind turned back to his words of a year ago, when, speaking to a French-Canadian audience, he offered his advice in a call to action.”

“If time and experience can teach anything, it is the startling and complete failure of our policy of excessive candour and unconditional co-operation and of what I would call our languorous or sighing diplomacy—others would call it bleating or servile.”

“We must look towards collaboration based on interests, on give and take. Note well: I do not suggest a policy of unnecessary stiffness, even less of violence. I do not ask for war and I do not urge war. I propose the only course left open to us—the course of legitimate defence.”

This is the gospel of national-

ism. It is not hard to see how in the minds of youthful student enthusiasts it might quickly tend to become a policy of separation of Quebec from the rest of Canada. It has often done so. Among these youthful disciples of the “Gandhi of Quebec” one hears much of Elre and her wisdom and greatness. This reporter may be excused for seeing in the views of Canon Groulx a manifestation of a kind of national inferiority complex not shared in any great degree by his compatriots.

### To Visit Victoria

Commissioner B. Orames, who is in charge of all Salvation Army work in Canada and Newfoundland, will visit Victoria Friday and conduct a meeting in

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### Civic Stamp Day Tops Objective

Results of the first civic stamp day of 1945, held last Saturday, exceeded all expectations. Maj. G. A. Yardley reported, raising \$1,000 for the Christian and Missionary Alliance Tabernacle on Yates Street, at 8.

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959 above the \$3,000 quota. Sales of War Savings certificates through the banks were described by Maj. Yardley as “enormous,” amounting to \$3,800. Through the banks on Saturday a total of \$4,234 in stamps and certificates were sold.

Street sales, made by 60 Miss Canada girls from the four high schools in this area, were \$433.25. Canvasses of downtown buildings netted \$238.75, and booths in the department stores brought in \$33.

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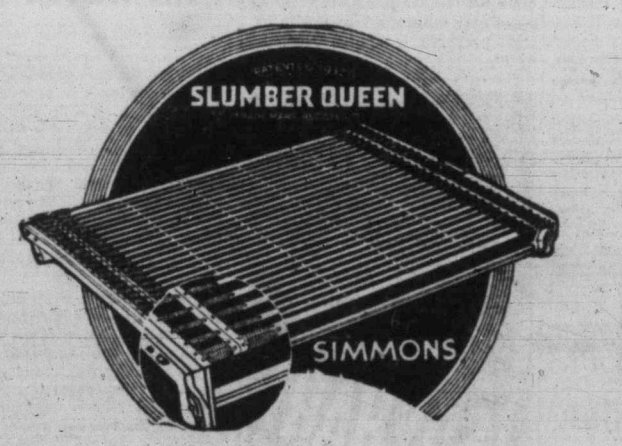
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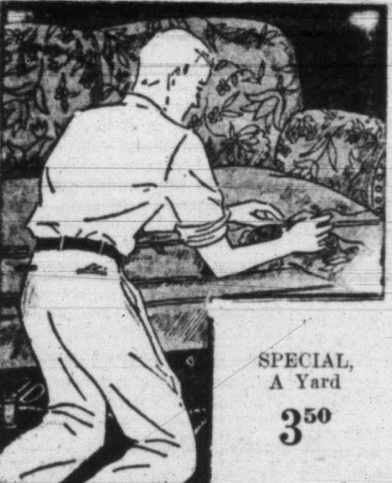
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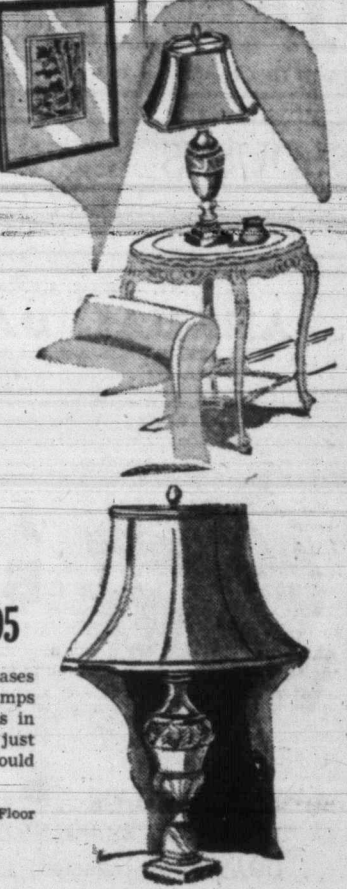
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### P.T.A. News

**Royal Oak**—A motion picture show and a home cooking stall will be held in the Women's Institute Hall, Royal Oak, Friday, to raise funds for school projects. The stall will open at 7.30. Dr. Clifford Carl of the Provincial Museum will give an illustrated address on nature's amphibians at the meeting Monday evening.

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### Pender Island Wren Awarded B.E.M.



Petty Officer Margaret Jean Davidson, W.R.C.N.S., has been awarded with the British Empire Medal in the King's New Year's honor list and will receive the decoration this month. Wren Davidson is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. Davidson, Port-Washington, North Pender Island, and has been with the navy for several years. She went overseas in September, 1943, with the first draft of Wrens. Their commanding officer was Lieut. Margaret Mackie of Victoria. She has been attached to Canadian naval headquarters at London since her arrival in England and her job is in connection with transportation and accommodation.

## Personal Notes

Mr. and Mrs. W. Lewis of Washington are at the Empress Hotel.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Lehman of Toronto are at the Empress Hotel.

Dr. and Mrs. R. D. Sinclair of Edmonton are visiting Victoria, staying at the Empress Hotel.

Miss D. Swan entertained in honor of Mrs. G. Wilson who was married a short time ago in Edmonton. Her guests at the tea held Wednesday at the Nutshell were members of the Britannia Branch W.A., Canadian Legion.

Miss Betty Russell, whose marriage will take place Saturday afternoon in St. Mary's Church, Oak Bay, was presented with a pair of blankets from her fellow workers at the permit branch of the Liquor Control Board, on leaving her position this week.

Miss Joyce Robinson, an employee of the Chart Depot, H.M.C. Dockyard, Esquimalt, was presented with a leather writing case with the good wishes of the staff. Miss Robinson will enter the February nursing class at the Royal Jubilee Hospital.

Col. and Mrs. T. M. Knox returned today to the city after spending the last six weeks visiting in Portland, Ore. During their absence their home at 1006 St. Charles Street was occupied by Miss Mulhron of Portland who left for that city Wednesday.

Girls of the Bank of Nova Scotia held a surprise kitchen shower for Miss Jocelyn Cave, February bride-elect, at the home of Miss Joy Sprinkling, 953 Southgate Avenue. Those present were Misses Loran LeGallais, Helen Miller, Connie Tavernier, Helen McRae, Sheila Boorman, Babs Tavernier, Gertrude Lane, Joy Sprinkling, Dulcie Hewison, Dorothy Drury, Ruth Broadfoot, Betty Austin, Nancy Ley and Jo McConnell.

Honoring Mrs. Herold, the former Kay Williams, a miscellaneous showed was held at the home of the Misses Grace and Pam Ferguson, 1418 Fernwood Road. Those present were Mesdames A. Williams, K. Ferguson, Johnson, J. Watson, Robertson, F. Martin, Boulet, H. Okell, M. Grant, Montgomery and the Misses Verna Lawless, Gloria Tassano, Audrey Kyle, Tillums, Bonnie and June Winslow, Margaret Lamont, Pat Smith, Vivian Wyley, Yvonne Peady, Jean Maynard, Joan and Hazel Pearson, Phyllis Patterson, Lorraine Glass, Alice Stevenson, Mary McGregor, Mary and Naldin Williams, Gwen Ellwood, Dorothy Banning, Donna Maxwell, Kay Davidson, Vicky Lyle, Mae Shrimpton, Pat Campbell, Irene and Marg. Hall and Gladys Cook.

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### Returns to Quebec Station



Wren Pat Wilson who has returned to her station at St. Hyacinthe, Que., after spending leave with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lance Wilson, 320 Beach Drive. Miss Wilson joined the W.R.C.N.S., in May, 1944, as a sick bay attendant.

## Bridge and Sale Feb. 21 To Aid Maternity Wing

A bridge tea and sale of baby wear, novelties and superfluities will be held Feb. 21 in the Nurses' Home to aid the new maternity wing. It was announced at the Wednesday meeting of the Women's Auxiliary to the Royal Jubilee Hospital.

Mrs. V. Leigh and Mrs. Carl Pender are convening the affair, which will be open from 2 to 5 in the afternoon and from 8 to 11 in the evening.

Mrs. D. McMillan presided and told of the granting of a tag day for the hospital April 7. It was decided to invite Miss R. E. Shearing to meet the executive and explain fully hospital insurance.

Mrs. H. P. Rutter reported on visiting and distribution of Christmas cheer. Reporting for the buying committee, Mrs. G. Harris said fruit, candy, nuts, biscuits and candles were bought for Christmas cheer, as well as sheets and dressing gowns to the value of \$217.86.

Mrs. A. Reid reported 282 sewing pieces made, and asked for more help at the sewing meetings held on the first and second Wednesdays at 2 in the Nurses' Home.

## Engagements

Announcements to appear under this heading will be accepted at the Times Advertising Department. Minimum charge \$1.50 for 10 lines, and 15¢ for each additional line.

Lt.-Col. and Mrs. J. E. McRae, 2209 Oak Bay Avenue, announce the engagement of their daughter, Helen Maxine, to Mr. Ormond Blair Alexander, son of Mr. and Mrs. G. J. Alexander, 2547 Thompson Avenue. The wedding will take place early in March at St. Luke's Church, Victoria, B.C.

## Y.P. Societies

**Y.P.U. Joint Meeting**—A joint meeting in connection with Young People's Week was held by the Vancouver Island Young People's Unions at First United Church, with Ella Maw presiding. After the opening devotional given by Annie Fagerberg and Margaret Thomson, Clyde Woolard, assistant field secretary for Christian education in B.C., urged members to attend the leadership training courses. In the debate which followed, the affirmative speakers were Jean Adams, Roy Busche and Jack Spiller. Negative speakers were Marion Hamilton, Dick Johnson and Harold Murphy.

## Convenes Dance

Miss Margaret Morry, convener of the dance to be held Tuesday in the upper ballroom of the Crystal Garden by the K. of C. Hut Auxiliary. Others on the committee are: Mrs. Rose Fisher and the Misses Madeline Cleri and Rita Thompson. Sadie Ryan and Betty Moore. Len Acres' orchestra will play for dancing from 9 to 12 and hostesses will be in attendance. Miss Mary Armitage and Jimmie McKenzie and Bill Bobig will sing. Also taking part in the floor show will be Misses Clare and Dorothy Coleman, Theo Corner, Margaret Scott, Jean Bishop and Jean Finlayson.

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## Youngsters Think Trusting Mothers Just Gullible

By RUTH MILLETT

The two pretty college girls were talking over the week-end they had spent at home and one of them told how she had managed to spend an evening at a joint her father had told her to keep away from.

"Parents are so gullible," she said as she finished her story—and both girls laughed indulgently.

Parents today must be gullible. Otherwise, how do you account for the numbers of sweet-faced young kids strolling along downtown streets at night, their giggles and sideways glances at boys in uniform telling the world they are just waiting to be picked up. Certainly their parents don't know what they are up to. They must think they are at a movie, or listening to records at one of the girls' houses, or studying for a mythical exam.

And the young girls sitting in poorly lighted taverns, growing more sentimental with each drink. Their parents must be so gullible they don't even sit up to see what time their kids get home and whether or not they have had anything to drink.

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Of course, parents like to believe whatever their kids tell them. It is so comforting to think that sweet little Susie is studying algebra with Jane. It would be mighty uncomfortable if mother let herself wonder if Susie might not be somewhere else.

But in these times parents can't afford the temporary peace of mind they receive from being what they call trusting and their kids call gullible. They ought to make it their business to know what their kids are up to.

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## W.M.S. Discusses Reconstruction

Victoria Presbyterian Woman's Missionary Society, United Church, opened their 19th annual meeting in the Metropolitan Church today. Their theme for the meeting is "Reconstruction." Minutes of the last meeting were read and reports were given by the following members: Executive, Mrs. Hugh A. Allison; appointment of resolutions and courtesy committee; literature, Mrs. A. T. Hunkin; press, Mrs. W. B. Johnston; library, Mrs. F. W. Laing; president's remarks, Mrs. W. H. Muncey; missionary monthly, Mrs. W. E. Clothier; associate members, Mrs. S. H. Shaw; community friendship, Mrs. W. Allison; supply, Mrs. J. D. Wilson; temperance, Mrs. A. Swainson; circles, Mrs. W. F. Perry; C.G.I.T., Mrs. H. Hughes; and mission bands, Mrs. H. Hughes.

Mrs. J. H. Laird gave the treasurer's report, and Mrs. F. R. Jewkes reported on the Christian Stewardship. Mrs. F. W. Laing spoke on special objects.

Election and installation of officers will be held during the evening session of the meeting.

Royal Club held election of officers at the home of Mrs. W. Peters, 2583 Heron Street, Oak Bay. Mrs. N. Kelly was re-elected president by acclamation, and Mrs. C. Filwood, secretary-treasurer. Mrs. G. Wise received a gift in appreciation of five years as secretary-treasurer. Next meeting will feature mystery bingo, Mrs. P. J. Woodley, 123 Wellington Avenue, being hostess.

## Club Calendar

Victoria Women's Institute, social afternoon, Institute Rooms, 635 Fort Street, Friday, 2.30.

Liberal Women's Forum luncheon, Terry's, Feb. 16... Esquimalt Community Club, Monday, 8, United Church Hall. Community Club night, Cadet Theatre, Feb. 20.

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shabby, holding up his friends for small loans, ceding cigarettes and letting others pay the dinner check, she could die with shame. And when a woman has to appeal to her family for help, or take the children and go back to mother and father to be supported, she has drunk her cup of bitter tea to the dregs.

There are no happy marriages in which the gray mare is not only the better horse but has to pull the load, for it is the essence of a woman's love for her husband that she can have pride in him and boast of him in the market place. If she cannot do this, she either comes to despise him, or else to have for him the pitying affection that she would have for a child who was a weakling.

All of us know worn and weary women who take in boarders or stand behind a counter or pound a typewriter all day to support big, strong, husky men who do nothing more strenuous than to sit in easy chairs and listen to the radio, or play pool and spend their wives' hard-earned money on buying beer for the boys.

Servicemen, who receive extension of their leaves, while visiting at home or with friends, can reimburse their hostesses for the extra rationed commodities consumed by applying on their return to their unit, for a ration card to cover the extension of the leave.

## Hot, Substantial Meals For Crisp, Cold Days

Youngsters and oldsters are enjoying these crisp cold days. When they return home, rosy cheeks and ravenous, they want food, plenty of it, hot and substantial.

The consumer section of the Department of Agriculture has some tried and true suggestions which will do for regular family meals. The liver spread is perfect for carried lunches and the other recipes—well, just try them on your family.

### LIVER SPREAD

Half lb. liver (1½ cups chopped, cooked); 3 tablespoons fat; ½ cup chopped onion; 2 half-inch slices bread (cubed); 13 to ¼ cup salad dressing; ¼ teaspoon salt; dash of pepper.

Cover liver with boiling water and simmer five minutes; drain. Melt fat, add onions and cook until clear. Add cubed bread and cook until crisp and lightly browned. Put liver, onions and bread through the food chopper together. Add dressing and seasonings and mix well. Yield 1½ cups.

### BEANBURGERS

Five cups home baked beans, or 2 tins (20-oz. size); or 1 pkg. dehydrated beans; 2 tablespoons bacon or ham fat; 6 round buns, halved, or 6 slices bread.

Heat beans in saucepan. Spread buns or bread with fat and brown lightly in hot frying pan, or under broiler. Serve beans on buns, openface fashion. Six servings.

### QUICK BEEF STEW

One lb. hamburger; 2 tablespoons fat; 2 tablespoons flour; 1 cup tomato juice; 1 cup diced cooked vegetables or 1 cup condensed vegetable soup; salt and pepper to taste.

Brown meat in hot fat, add flour and brown slightly. Add remaining ingredients and cook 15 minutes, stirring constantly. Serve on split hot biscuits or toast points. Six servings.

### HAM AND SPAGHETTI CASSEROLE

Six oz. (1½ cups) spaghetti broken in 2-inch pieces; ½ lb. uncooked ham in ¼-inch slices; 2 medium or 3 small onions; 1 tin tomato soup or 1 cup seasoned tomato sauce.

Boil spaghetti in 1½ quarts boiling water with 1½ teaspoons salt. Drain and rinse in cold water. Fry ham until lightly browned, about 10 minutes, then put ham and onion through the food chopper. Place alternate layers of spaghetti and ham-onion mixture in a greased casserole, finishing with a layer of spaghetti. Four tomato soup or seasoned tomato sauce over the top and bake in a moderate oven, 350 deg. F., for 30 minutes.

### WHOLE LOAF TOAST

Remove the top and side crusts from a loaf of bread, leaving the lower crust. Cut the loaf lengthwise down the centre, cutting to not through the lower crust.

Then cut, in the same way, across the loaf six to eight times. Spread the cubes of bread gently apart and brush the cut surfaces lightly with ¼ cup soft, creamed butter.

Toast in a moderately hot oven, 375 deg. F., for 10 to 15 minutes.

## Clubwomen

Mrs. D. Swan was re-elected president of the W.A. to the Britannia Branch No. 7, B.E.S.L., at their annual meeting. Reports were read and Mrs. Wilson was presented with a gift. Other officers elected were: Honorary president, Mrs. A. M. Mortimer; first vice-president, Mrs. A. Hall; second vice-president, Mrs. G. Ree; secretary, Mrs. G. Wilson; treasurer, Mrs. Helen Parker; chairman of the sick committee, Mrs. D. McCulloch; membership chairman, Mrs. E. Finn; social, Mrs. R. H. Willmott; sergeant-at-arms, Mrs. J. Brereton; past president, Mrs. E. Jarvis, and press, Mrs. G. Ree.

An illustrated lecture on Robert Burns and a musical program were held under the auspices of the Ladies' Guild of Centennial United Church. Dr. Andrew Rodan of Vancouver spoke. The following artists rendered Scotch songs: Mrs. Butler, Mrs. M. Goodwin, Miss M. Mitchell and S. Evans, J. S. Smith was at the piano and H. Hole and R. Minnie assisted with the lantern. Rev. Wm. Allan was in the chair.

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## Celebration to Mark Founding of P.T.A.

During February, Parent-Teacher Associations' all across Canada will observe Founder's Day, which was established in 1833 by the Canadian Federation of Home and School. The purpose is to make the membership more conversant with the history and growth of the organization and its value to home, school, church and community.

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# Sports Mirror

By PSITE SALLAWAY

COLLEGE basketball in the United States certainly received a stunning blow by the uncovering of that attempted "fix" by the gambling fraternity of a game between Brooklyn College and Akron. It is hard to realize a group of college youngsters plotting to throw a game. My personal experience in athletics always placed pride in being a winner above everything else. I can't believe that the Brooklyn College affair is anything but an isolated case, although, like one bad apple in a barrel, it will cause all other games to be looked on with suspicion by the general public.

THERE IS one fellow who can sit back and say: "Didn't I tell you." I refer to Phog Allen, noted college coach at Lawrence, Kas., who came out months ago with the charge that gamblers were mixed up in basketball only to have his claims laughed off and the charges made that he was a publicity-seeking calamity howler. It is unfortunate that the gamblers moved in on college basketball although the game is a natural for the fix. With only eight or nine players on a team, one or two star players with a yen for easy money, can make the difference. Ned Irish, who started big-time private promotion of college basketball in Madison Square Garden, has been doing his best to curb the growing gambling but it's no easy job. He knows it is a peril to the sport and might cast a shadow over the game throughout the United States.

STARTING out the season last fall with a line-up that appeared to have a good chance of cleaning up a large percentage of the local soccer trophies, Victoria West have sure run into a lot of hard luck in recent weeks. The green-shirts have been struck by a succession of injuries that would make any manager start to look around and see if he has a bunch of Gremlins in the kit bag. The Wests have seen Eddie Gibson, Harold Sage, Roy Barnes and Chuck Restell forced to the sidelines through injury. Take four players of such calibre off a team and there is a mighty big gap to fill. Now I hear the club has another worry. Len Scott, another of their regulars, may be lost shortly to the army. But to quote Tommy Restell: "We'll still be in there at the finish."

NOW THAT Larry MacPhail is back in baseball as head of the always-powerful New York Yankees, baseball fans around Montreal are wondering if he will renew his interest in the International League Royals. MacPhail always had quite a warm spot in his heart for the club while he was associated with Brooklyn Dodgers and there is an outside chance he might buy up the Royals' franchise. With the Yankees behind them the Royals might get some place in the class AA circuit.

## Major Baseball Can Survive

## Enough Kids, Veterans

NEW YORK (AP)—Professional baseball probably has enough 17-year-olds and players over 38 to man the major league rosters if conditions necessitate such action, a recent survey showed.

The survey by the Associated Press uncovered almost 450 players whose 1944 experience ranged from the big leagues to class D. Many of these still would be available if all now in the military draft age—18 to 38—should be taken.

It wouldn't be big league ball but it might serve as an acceptable stop gap if proposed national service legislation is passed and put into immediate large-scale operation.

There has been no official indication from the sport or from the government that there will be any radical change in the attitude expressed by the president's "carry-on-if-you-can" message.

Big league executives have continued to make training-camp plans, player deals and mail out contracts on the assumption that the season will open as usual in mid-April. For the most part they are depending on the hold-

overs from 1944 who have not been called to service. No club has shown any inclination to load up with any large amount of over-age and under-age talent and probably none will except as a last resort.

Any sweeping grab of the teenagers and over-38s probably would wreck most of the minors and would involve drastic changes in the methods by which players are moved up the baseball ladder. Only an extreme state of emergency could force such action.

## Red Dutton Wants To Change Playoffs

MONTREAL (CP)—The Montreal Gazette said in a sports page story Wednesday it is understood President Mervin (Red) Dutton of the National Hockey League will suggest to the circuit's governors at a meeting here Friday that "serious thoughts be given a possible change in the playoff set-up."

Ordinarily, the team finishing first in the standings plays the team finishing third, while the second and fourth place teams meet in the opening round. Each series last year was decided in four out of seven games, and the Gazette said, this now may be reduced to the best three of five games.

Another item said by the paper to be included on the agenda was possibility of enlarging the league to include eight teams instead of the present six.

"Both Washington and St. Louis are being mentioned as cities which may be included in the N.H.L., though it is unlikely any action will be taken until the war is over," the paper said.



YANKEE'S BASEBALL EMPIRE SOLD—At the 21 Club in New York, Del E. Webb, left, millionaire contractor of Phoenix, Ariz., Edward G. Barrow, retiring president and Col. Larry MacPhail, right, shake hands after announcing that the New York Yankees and its affiliated minor league properties had been sold to a group composed of Webb, MacPhail and Capt. Dan Topping, owner of the Brooklyn pro football club. Purchase was \$3,000,000.

## Oak Bay High In Rugby Triumph 14-3

Pair of matches Wednesday in the Intermediate Rugby League saw Oak Bay High defeat Naval College C 14 to 3, and Victoria High and Naval College B tie to a scoreless tie. Results left Victoria and Naval College B tied for first place, each with three points, with the undefeated Victoria College and Oak Bay High next, with two points apiece.

In the Oak Bay-Naval College game each club scored an unconverted try in the first half, deRosier rolling over for the cadets and McKenzie for the school club.

After 20 minutes of hard play in the second half Latham scored for Oak Bay, giving them a 6 to 3 margin. Shortly after McKenzie scored his second try and Latham followed with another major score and kicked the extra points.

Victoria High and Naval College B put on a spirited exhibition, but neither club was able to get across for a score.

## Barrow Will Give MacPhail Free Hand

NEW YORK (AP)—Ed Barrow's policy under the new ownership of the New York Yankees will be to offer advice, but not to interfere with Col. Larry MacPhail as president and general manager.

In a formal statement released Wednesday after his first business conference with MacPhail since the sale of the club, the 76-year-old Barrow said: "I told him we could not both be headman, and that I would stay as chairman of the board of directors as long as my health would permit. He said I could have any office I wanted."

"As my policy is never to interfere, I am sure we will get along without any friction. I told him that he should be president and run things and I would stay in an advisory capacity. I will support him when he is in the right, but when he is wrong I will simply keep my mouth shut."

## Chess Tourney

Results of matches in the city chess tournament follow:

A SECTION			
F. Fantone 1	S. Turner 0	N. R. Stewart 1	A. H. Sheard 0
F. Fantone 1	A. H. Sheard 0	F. W. Plant 1	F. Stratholt 0
B SECTION			
H. Fantone 1	J. L. Baring 0	Capt. G. Laird 1	G. V. Wilkinson 0
J. Marshall 0	H. Farry 1	J. Wadsworth 0	E. Skinner 1
M. E. Baring 1	J. L. Baring 0	M. E. Baring 1	J. L. Baring 0

Standings of the leaders follow:			
F. Fantone	4	3	1
F. W. Plant	4	2	1
N. R. Stewart	4	2	1
F. Stratholt	4	2	1
B SECTION			
H. Fantone	4	3	1
E. Skinner	4	2	1
H. Farry	4	2	1
Capt. G. Laird	4	2	1
J. Wadsworth	4	2	1
J. Marshall	4	2	1

Matches scheduled Friday evening follow:

A SECTION: S. Turner vs. S. Sommer; N. R. Stewart vs. F. Stratholt; H. Fantone vs. F. W. Plant; A. H. Sheard vs. K. S. Patrick.

B SECTION: J. Wadsworth vs. G. Wilkinson; H. Farry vs. J. Marshall; H. Fantone vs. G. Jones; J. L. Baring vs. Capt. Laird; M. E. Baring vs. E. Skinner.

Tuesday, Feb. 6. J. Wadsworth vs. H. Fantone.

## YARROWS GOLF

George Rumsby and F. Clarkson are the new holders of the Yarrows golf button. In a match at the Uplands Club over the week-end they defeated F. B. McConnell and W. A. Leith, 6 and 4. The new holders will defend their button against W. Allen and G. McIlraith at the Uplands Sunday, starting at 10.

## N.H.L. Postwar Plans

## 12-Club Loop Possible

This week-end may see the shape of things to come in the National Hockey League. At Montreal the loop governors stage a gathering of the clans. There is all the talk of more teams in the postwar period. And there are those that go so far as to envision a 12 or 13 team league.

President Mervin (Red) Dutton says the old Brooklyn Americans—no relation to the Dodgers—are a potential comeback threat after the war. Other quarters add that Montreal will again support two teams, Chicago is ready to hold a couple of squads, Washington and St. Louis are being considered as entries, Buffalo and Cleveland are ready for major-league hockey, etc.

More suggestions pour in by the hour, to which Conny Smythe, the mighty man of Toronto Leafs, adds: "We've been sitting on our hands."

Conny's argument is there will be some 200-odd hockey players of pro calibre coming back from the war. They'll want to play hockey. And assured that there will be plenty of playing material, he says: "It's up to the clubs in the league now to see that the loop expands."

New bankrolls may be added to the list of the N.H.L. club owners to make the loop an eight or 10-team affair (and relieve Detroit's Jim Norris of his overlapping interests).

## Jack Dempsey Would Continue Baseball

MIAMI (AP)—An encouraging word for baseball came Wednesday from Cmdr. Jack Dempsey, chief of the United States coast guard physical fitness program. The former heavyweight champion said: "There is too much money invested in baseball and some other sports, and too much interest by the civilian populace as well as the servicemen for them to be closed down."

"Sports must go on, no matter what happens," he declared. "We can't quit now. We can't back down. What will we have to carry on with after the war if everybody gives up sports now?"

Sports are necessary for morale purposes, he emphasized. "Sports must go on, no matter what happens," he declared. "We can't quit now. We can't back down. What will we have to carry on with after the war if everybody gives up sports now?"

## PICARD NAMED PRO

CLEVELAND (AP)—One of the nation's top tournament golfers, Henri Picard, was named pro Wednesday at Cleveland's Canterbury Country Club—as soon as his current Harrisburg, Pa., Country Club contract expires next year.

Edward G. K. Meister, Canterbury official who announced Picard's selection, said the club planned to make a bid to hold the national open-tourney here after the war. The open was played at Canterbury in 1940.

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## Hannibal Claims Allan Cup Hockey Final Impossible

WINNIPEG (CP)—Frank Hannibal of Winnipeg, president of the Manitoba Amateur Hockey Association, told an executive M.A.H.A. meeting Wednesday night that he does not believe a Dominion Allan Cup senior hockey final will be held this season.

He said the Quebec branch of the C.A.H.A. had announced it would be impossible for the branch to send a team to New Westminster, B.C., which has been mentioned as the locale of the finals, should a Quebec team win the eastern Canada championship.

An official of Port Arthur Shipbuilders, defending western champions, had expressed the opinion that should the Shipbuilders advance in the inter-provincial play-offs, they would not be able to leave home for any extended period to compete in the finals, he said. Shipbuilders are the only senior players in the Thunder Bay branch.

No senior leagues, with teams eligible for Allan Cup competition, operate in the prairie provinces. Manitoba, however, has named Macdonald Airports as branch representatives in the play-offs while Saskatchewan Royals seek permission to represent Saskatchewan. Alberta has not yet named an entrant.

There are two teams in British Columbia—New Westminster Vics and Vancouver Blockbusters.

## Pacific Northwest Gloves Tourney Set

SEATTLE (AP)—The 1945 Pacific Northwest golden gloves boxing tournament will be held here late in February under the joint sponsorship of the A.A.U. and the Post-Intelligencer; it was announced Tuesday.

The announcement said that boxing teams from the Multnomah Athletic Club, Portland; Everett, Spokane and British Columbia—already were being planned for the tournament. Any amateur boxer is eligible to enter, however, regardless of club affiliations.

## Former Jockey Great Dies in Poverty

ZURICH, Switzerland (CP)—J. H. (Skeets) Martin, a United States jockey who became one of the most famous of all-time, died last March in poverty in a home for old people at Realta, in the Canton of Grisons, aged 69.

Martin rode for Royalty and won the 1902 Derby on Ard Patrick.

Martin was champion jockey in the United States in 1899 with 173 wins. He not only rode the winner of the Derby but the winner of the French Grand Prix and the 2,000 Guineas at Newmarket on Rock Sand in 1903.

## CALIFORNIA HOCKEY

SAN FRANCISCO (AP)—Ed Vigneau, Oakland centre, broke up a 3 to 5 tie, with only two minutes and 35 seconds of the game remaining, with a fast goal on an assist from Ken Charlton, to give the Oaks a 6 to 5 win over the Portland Eagles in a Pacific Coast Hockey League game Wednesday night.

Charlton was scoring star with three goals and two assists, with Milliken of Portland credited with three goals.

## V.M.D. PRACTICE

Victoria Machinery Depot soccer team will hold a workout this evening at Athletic Park, at 7, to be followed by a meeting. All players are asked to attend.

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## College Cage Stars Turn Back Gremlins

Displaying plenty of drive, smart shooting and a well-knit defence, a youthful gang of basketballers from western Washington Teachers' College of Bellingham last night spanked the Pat Bay Gremlins 42 to 39 before a fair crowd at the High School gym.

Although under a definite handicap in size, the visiting college players came up with a clever exhibition, and won the hard way, coming from behind in the last few minutes. There was never much between the clubs all night, with the lead changing 14 times. In the pink of condition the Vikings showed the advantage of some first class coaching.

Before the start of the game, Coach Lappenbush, of the visitors, stated he realized his boys were up against a tough club, and at the finish was really jubilant over their victory. Lappenbush is a former basketball and football star with the University of Washington.

Gremlins had no excuses in suffering their second defeat of the season. Several times in the last half they took command, but were never able to hold off their young opponents. Norm Baker had a big night with 20 points, while Porky Andrews pushed up 10. Pop Pay, big centre of the Gremlins, was definitely off, not scoring a single point, or having a foul whistled against him.

## VISITORS TAKE LEAD

Western Washington got away to a flying start and moved into an early 9 to 4 lead on baskets by Wark, Pavelich and Pay, along with a free throw. Gremlins rallied, and Andrews, McKeachie and Baker found the hoop, to give Pat Bay a 10 to 9 edge. Clubs battled basket for basket, with the visitors holding a 26 to 25 lead at halftime.

With the start of the second half, Wark, who featured a beautiful one-hand push-up shot, put Vikings into a 28 to 25 lead. Five successive points by Baker nudged Gremlins on top, 30 to 28. It was tied at 33-all, and again at 37-all. At this point Referee George Harknett called a technical foul on Baker, and Pavelick sank it, to put Vikings in the driver's seat, with four minutes to go. Pavelick dropped through a long one, and visitors were three points ahead. Baker sneaked through to get a two-pointer. With a minute of play remaining, Sivertson pushed up a rebound, and the game was all over as the visitors "froze" the ball until the final whistle.

In preliminary games, Rookies defeated the Comets 35 to 27, and Tommy Tuckers won from Victoria Roofing 25 to 20, to move into a tie with their opponents for first place in the men's senior B division. It was the third straight defeat for the Roofers.

Teams and scores follow: Western Washington—Wark 16, Pavelick 8, Sivertson 8, Johnson 2, Fay 6, Stanley, Burkland, Gilday 2, Murray.

Gremlins—Stout 4, Lee, R. Baker, Phelan 1, Pay, McKeachie 4, N. Baker 20, Andrews 10.

Tommy Tuckers—Bryant 2, Duncan 8, Michels 5, Garnet 5, Perkins, Bell 3, Uttke, Handy 2, Patterson.

Victoria Roofing—G. Taylor 3, McKay 7, Harknett, D. Taylor, Watson 3, Travis, Creed 5, Clarkson 2.

Rookies—Gunnis, Blackey, Manton, Milliken 6, Coates 2, La-

## Oregon State Wins Overtime Thriller

PULLMAN, Wash. (AP)—Oregon State's Beavers, led by high-scoring Red Rocha, Wednesday night turned back in the second overtime period a powerful Washington State College bid to retain second place in the northern division Pacific Coast Conference basketball scramble. Score was 45 to 42.

Oregon State led 18 to 15 at halftime. Regular play ended in a 32-all tie, and the score was knotted at 38-all at the end of the first overtime period.

## Navy Club Scores Close Hockey Win

WINNIPEG (CP)—Winnipeg H.M.C.S. Chippawa defeated Winnipeg R.C.A.F. Bombers 6 to 5 to strengthen their hold on second place in the Manitoba Inter-Services Senior Hockey League Tuesday night.

L.S. Lionel Savole punched home two goals, while L.S. A. Kirkpatrick, O.S. B. Jukes, I.S. Tommy Fowler, and L.S. Gue Schwartz got the others. Airman marksmen were P.O. Don Gallanger, L.A.C. George Harrison, L.A.C. Bill Snider, L.A.C. Bob Morrison, and L.A.C. Bill Maki.

## Epsom Derby Not Possible This Year

EPSOM, Surrey, Eng. (CP)—There is no likelihood of the Derby being run at Epsom Downs this year, even if the war comes to an early conclusion. No start on repairs to the stands and course equipment has yet been possible.

Six months at least, it is estimated, would be required before racing could take place.

There is no possibility of the Derby being run here this year and we are not even thinking about it," C. J. Langlands, clerk of the course, said Tuesday.

## MCANCE VOLUNTEERS

WINNIPEG (CP)—Ches McCance, prominent Winnipeg grid star recently discharged from the R.C.A.F., has volunteered for the Canadian army, it was announced Wednesday. He played for Winnipeg Blue Bombers when they won Dominion titles in 1939 and 1941.

Lachure 13, Wilson 2, Lindquist 2, Kennedy 10, Raper.

Comets—McDonald 7, Bradshaw, Robbins, E. Hunt 2, Mair, House, Wallace 10, Whyte 8.

In two games at the Y.M.C.A. gymnasium, K.V.'s came up with a double triumph over the St. Louis College. In the junior boys, K.V.'s turned back the Collegians 25 to 17, and their midlets came up with a 26 to 12 verdict.

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### Eagles Pay Tribute To Veteran Officers

Tribute was paid to veterans of 20 years or more membership at the meeting of the Victoria Eagles Wednesday evening. The welcoming ceremony was preceded by presentation of a gold membership quota ribbon.

Among the veterans were three with more than 40 years' membership: J. Eblanger, Samuel Eastman and W. Levy.

Past presidents who reviewed the early days of the Victoria association were: David Essler, J. Belanger, Dr. Hugh Clarke, Charles H. Lester, J. E. Mars, Chris Hogan, C. L. Smith, Charles Jasper and William Bridgwood.

Mayor Percy George also paid tribute to the fine work of past officers.

Mr. Jasper presented a challenge cup for competition in cribbage tournaments.

Congratulations are to be sent to the first Eagle aerie, Seattle No. 1, which will hold ceremonies Friday in conjunction with burning a \$500,000 mortgage and notes.

### Recover 25 Stolen Liquor Ration Books

VANCOUVER (CP)—City police Wednesday recovered 25 of the 250 liquor ration books stolen from the Liquor Control Board's permit depot here early Monday.

Police did not disclose how the recovery of the permits had been made.

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### St. Mary's, Oak Bay, Enjoys Record Year

Archdeacon A. E. deL. Nunn told the annual vestry meeting of St. Mary's Church, Oak Bay, that 1944 had been the best year in the history of the parish.

He spoke of the work accomplished by all church organizations, stating that the Women's Parish Guild had given generously to church expenses. The parish was free from debt and branches of the W.A. to the M.S.C.C. contributed more than \$1,200 to missions, he said. Sunday school membership passed the 300 mark.

The meeting gave its approval to formation of a committee of parishioners to work in conjunction with the church committee on plans for the building of the stone chancel in the new church. A. A. Bengough, treasurer, presented the annual cash statement and balance sheet.

The rector appointed C. Nickerson as his warden and Norman Williams was re-elected people's warden. Elected to the church committee were: C. Booth, B. Jarvis-Road, E. McCowan, Major H. Nation, C. W. Pangman, R. B. Price, T. C. Rogers, C. T. Teasdale, T. P. Waters and R. A. Wootton.

Delegates to Synod are: C. Booth, T. Clayton, T. C. Rogers, T. P. Waters, N. Williams and R. A. Wootton. Alternates are: A. A. Bengough and P. H. B. Dawson. W. C. Gelling, R. P. Farnell and T. C. Rogers are representatives to the diocesan conference. On the missionary committee are: Mrs. A. A. Bengough, Mrs. E. Sheppard and Mrs. H. Philip. G. F. Salmon is envelope secretary and W. D. Osborn auditor.

### Canadian Frigate Nearly Halved



Close-up of flag deck of H.M.C.S. Teme showing damage. Casualties were light.

A UNITED KINGDOM PORT—Rammed amidships while operating with sub-hunting Canadian and British escort groups and Royal Navy aircraft carriers in the Bay of Biscay, H.M.C.S. Teme, Canadian-manned frigate, was almost cut in half, but remained afloat and succeeded in reaching port.

The damage has since been repaired and the frigate is back on active duty.

The flotilla with which the Teme had been working had reported several U-boat contacts at night, and H.M.C.S. Waskesiu, Victoria-built frigate, and H.M.C.S. Cape Breton, had carried out attacks. It was the Teme's first active operation after being commissioned by the R.C.N. in the United Kingdom.

### SAVED BY MIRACLE

Badly gashed on the port side, the Teme was taken in tow by H.M.C.S. Outremont, and reached port by what her commander, Lt.-Cmdr. Douglas Jeffrey, D.S.C., R.C.N.R., describes as a "miracle."

Assigned to screen an aircraft carrier, the Teme had contacted the enemy and had dropped several patterns of depth charges.

Suddenly the carrier loomed out of the darkness on Teme's port side. "She was so close when I first spotted her that I could see the white wash under her bows," says Lt.-Cmdr. Jeffrey.

Navigation lights aboard Teme were immediately switched on, and the carrier signaled "I am directing my course to starboard." But it was too late. The great carrier crashed into the frigate on the afterside of the bridge, plunging savagely from the port side, one foot beyond her keel. A sheet of flame flashed as the two ships came together, then quickly died down. It was then 2 in the morning.

The forward and after bulkheads in the sturdy little ship held. When Lt.-Cmdr. Jeffrey saw that his ship would stay afloat, he signaled the carrier to back away, for the rise and fall of the sea were converting the bows of the great ship into a gigantic saw which was chewing its way through the frigate's hull.

### GAPING HOLE IN SIDE

When the carrier extricated herself, Teme floated free with a great hole torn in her side and a list to port. All hands were then ordered to the starboard side to true her.

Then, in the middle of the Atlantic, half of Teme's company was transferred to H.M.C.S. Outremont in the latter's motor launch. When that was completed, Outremont undertook the hazardous job of towing the damaged companion to port. By 6 that morning all lines had been made fast and the two ships were under way. Nearly 48 hours later, Teme was tied up at her berth.

Lt.-Cmdr. Jeffrey has nothing but praise for his crew, for the job Outremont did in towing his damaged ship back to port and for the sturdiness which the shipbuilders had built into the frigate.

When the two ships crashed, the communications system on Teme was put out of commission. There was no way of communicating with the engine room. Duty hands there, thinking that Teme had rammed a sub, were standing by waiting for further orders and continued at their posts until a messenger reached them with orders to assemble on the upper deck.

When the carrier struck, one seaman was sealed in a small cabin where he was on duty during "action stations." But the saving movement of the big ship burst the door of the cabin and hurled him to the deck. He immediately reported for duty.

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### Realtors Press Scenic Road Plan

Real Estate Board of Victoria has asked the provincial government to gather necessary data to ensure that the proposed scenic highway circling Victoria and Saanich Peninsula can be completed as a postwar project.

"It is quite obvious to the board that there is a definite desire for such a project to be now seriously considered," says a letter from the board to Hon. Herbert Anscomb, Minister of Public Works.

Recent discussions of the board, says the letter, have centred around the need for having the information on the driveway available in the near future.

### Historic Gavel Being Replaced

The historic gavel with which eight mayors of Victoria have pounded for order in City Hall's council chamber is going into the city archives.

For 25 years this gavel has done its duty through stormy meetings, when aldermanic opinions varied.

It was presented to the city May 24, 1920 by the City of Vancouver, Washington and was made from the wood of an ancient cherry tree, under which the British, when in control of that territory, often rested from the sun.

The late R. J. Porter was mayor when the gavel first arrived at the City Hall. Then it served Mayors William Marchant, Reginald Hayward, Carl Pendray, Hezbert Anscomb, David Leeming, Andrew McGavin and for the first month of this year, Percy E. George.

The new gavel, smaller, is of American black walnut. If Victoria ever gets a new City Hall, there will doubtless be a room for the city's historic collection, and a place will be found for the cherrywood gavel.

### Society Reorganizing

Vancouver Island local of the Canadian Society of Technical Agriculturists was addressed at a meeting this week by L. B. Thomson, superintendent of Dominion Experimental Station, Swift Current, who is chairman of the society's policy committee. He explained the society is in process of reorganizing as the Canadian Institute of Agriculture to deal with wartime problems and plan for postwar.

Chairman was W. Jones, Saanich experimental station pathologist.

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## 11-Year Record In B.C. for Company Incorporations

The apparent V-day feeling in business hit a new high in January as reflected by British Columbia company incorporations which hit an 11-year high of 72 for the month, Registrar of Companies' office reported today. This exceeded the record of 69 in December.

B.C. incorporations this week were: General Amusements Ltd., \$50,000, Victoria; Oakmount Holding Co. Ltd., \$10,000, Victoria; Vanwest Logging Co. Ltd., \$500,000, Vancouver; Parks Logging Co. Ltd., \$50,000, Vancouver; Chilliwack Holding Co. Ltd., \$30,000, Chilliwack; Elizabeth Louise Ltd., \$10,000, Vancouver; Three Smart Girls Beauty Salon Ltd., \$10,000, Vancouver; Chatwin Motors Ltd., 100 shares no par value, Alberni; D. & S. Super Service Ltd., \$20,000, Vancouver; Western Enterprises Ltd., \$10,000, Vancouver; Postwar Industries Ltd., \$60,000, Vancouver; Jackson Home Furnishings Ltd., \$10,000, Vancouver; Gibson Mills Ltd., \$200,000, Vancouver; Dominion Shipping Co. Ltd., 1,000 share N.P.V., Vancouver; Glidersleeve Logging Co. Ltd., \$30,000, Vancouver; Rapid Manufacturing Co. Ltd., \$24,000, Vancouver; Craig-ner Estates Ltd., \$100,000, Victoria.

Extra provincial companies: Norman M. Smith Ltd., \$50,000, Edmonton and Vancouver; Frost Digest Inc., New York and Vancouver; Oakite Products of Canada Ltd., \$25,000, Ottawa and Vancouver; Societies: The Native Brotherhood of B.C., Vancouver; Peace Arch Women's Institute, White Rock; Dunster Women's Institute, South Burnaby Recreation Centre.

## Mrs. Simpson, 80, Dancing Teacher, Dies in Hospital

Mrs. Shirley Vandeleur Simpson, widely-known dancing teacher here in the late nineties, died Wednesday evening at St. Joseph's Hospital after a month's illness.

Born May 9, 1865, at Yale, Mrs. Simpson was a daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. William Leigh and wife of George F. B. Simpson, for long with the Canadian customs here and who died in Victoria in 1926.

Mrs. Simpson's dancing parties at the old Assembly Hall on Fort Street were famous for their sociability and the manner in which she taught young men and women the rudiments of the picturesque dances of the times. Mrs. Simpson, however, always kept abreast of the times and until a comparatively few years ago, taught modern dancing to young people. Her accompanist was always Miss Anita Thain, who died a few months ago. Together they made an outstanding entertainment team.

During the 1914-18 war, Mrs. Simpson did much work for soldiers and was responsible for establishment of the soldiers' home on Douglas Street, now Prince Robert House. She taught dancing to many shell-shocked soldiers, helping them back to health.

She leaves three sons, George Yale Simpson, Victoria; John Yale Simpson, Vancouver; Gordon Yale Simpson, Vancouver; two daughters, Mrs. R. E. Cieri, 451 Niagara St., with whom her mother resided, and Mrs. Hilda Sharpe of San Francisco. A son, Fred Yale Simpson, died in San Francisco last November. There are 11 grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

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## Arena-Auditorium Campaign Nears Half-Way Mark

R. A. C. Dewar, arena committee chairman, said today that the present drive is for a combined arena auditorium which in addition to providing for hockey and skating, will include a concert auditorium and sports centre.

"Donations to the arena fund," said Mr. Dewar, "will not only be of value to young Victorians interested in sport. They will also benefit the entire community. One of the great lacks in Victoria is a large hall where conventions, symphony and band concerts could be held. The new building will be available for such purposes."

With \$30,000 reported at noon today the campaign was well on the way to the half-way mark in its objective of \$65,000.

Yesterday's big subscriptions included: J. H. Todd & Sons \$1,000, Pacific Breweries Association \$1,000, Cameron Lumber Co. \$300, Moore-Whittington Lumber Co. \$250, Manning Lumber Mills \$200, Canadian Stevedoring Co. of Vancouver \$100, Cameron Wood and Coal Co. \$100, D. O. Cameron \$100, Poodle Dog Cafe \$100, Dalziel Box Co. \$100, Little & Taylor \$50, McGill & Orme Ltd. \$50, Selkirk Lumber Co. \$50, Green Lumber Co. \$50, King's Shop Store \$50, National Motors \$50 and Price & Smith \$75.

Today's subscriptions included: Economy Steam Laundry \$75, New Method Laundry \$150; D. W. Burnett \$50, Williams, Treise and Williams \$100.

Donations may be left at headquarters, 755 View Street.

## City Preparing Education Case For Commission

City Council and School Board met this afternoon to discuss the city's manner of approach to the Dr. Max Cameron inquiry on the whole educational set-up and its costs.

The mayor said it has not yet been definitely decided to present a brief when the commission holds its sitting here, but he thinks the aldermen and school trustees should talk the whole situation over together before any definite plans are made.

Mayor George has ordered that the Union Jack be flown from the City Hall, instead of the Canadian Ensign. A Cadboro Bay resident earlier in the week asked him why the ensign was being flown.

"I feel that as this is a public building, and until the Canadian government has the courage to say what flag shall officially be flown, we shall fly the Union Jack," the mayor said.

Fred C. Stewart, consulting engineer engaged by the city to make a survey of a proposed waterworks tunnel in the Kapor-Japan Gulch area, today paid his first visit on Mayor George and talked over the whole proposition, which will take water underground six miles, instead of overground 27 miles.

Mayor George tomorrow will receive a shipment of Winnipeg goldeye fish by airmail from Mayor G. Coulter of the Manitoba capital. The fish will arrive here at midnight by Trans-Canada Airlines, and will be officially presented to the mayor at a brief ceremony tomorrow morning at his office in City Hall. J. McDonald, Patricia Bay station manager for T.C.A., and Miss D. M. Scott, T.C.A. ticket agent in Victoria, will attend.

B.C. Electric Railway Company has written the city saying it will sign the proposed agreement, to be drawn up by City Council, regarding the Esquimalt waterworks.

## New T.C.A. Schedule In Effect Today

The new Trans-Canada Air Lines Ltd. schedule inaugurating a third transcontinental flight between Montreal and Vancouver, and changing arrival times in the two daily flights which operate through to Victoria, goes into effect today.

New arrival times here will be: Flight 3 at 12:45 a.m., flight 7 at 1:30 p.m. Departure times will be: Flight 2 at 1:15 a.m.; flight 6 at 2 p.m.

Flight 5 will arrive from the east at Vancouver at 6:35 and will terminate there.

## Tug Goes Ashore At Ten Mile Point

Etta Mac, 85-ton tug of Vancouver Barge Transportation Ltd., went ashore at Ten Mile Point about 10 Wednesday night. Straits Towing and Salvage Co. Ltd. was today attempting to salvage the craft.

## Back From Overseas, 'Tin Hats' Show Here



After a successful three-year tour of Canadian army camps in England, North Africa, Sicily, Italy and northwest Europe, members of the "Tin Hats," original Canadian army show, have arrived in Victoria and are now putting on shows in military

establishments in this area. Tonight, at 8, they will appear at No. 1 Conditioning Centre, R.C. A.M.C., Gordon Head. Last night they appeared at Macaulay Point. Members of the cast are shown above: Left, Comedian Sgt. Wally Brennan of Winnipeg,

talking over his skit with his "straight" man, Sgt. Frank Boudue of Toronto; right, three "gals" of the show, left to right, Sgt. Johnnie Headwood of Toronto, Cpl. Bill Dunstan of Toronto, and Pte. Jack Phillips of Calgary.

## Broke Night Stick On Sailor's Head; Officer's Leg Bitten

Trial of Leonti Gordienko and Malvin J. Paton, sailors, on a joint charge of assaulting a peace officer early New Year's Day, opened in City Court today. Constable Carl Carlson, chief prosecution witness in the first of two-count charge, relating how he had battled with the two accused, and Mrs. Mary Gordienko, who was also charged jointly with her husband and Paton.

Informed by Stuart Henderson that Mrs. Gordienko was not yet 18 years old, Magistrate H. C. Hall transferred the charges against her to the juvenile court. Four prosecution witnesses were heard today before adjournment this afternoon until Friday morning. Prosecutor C. L. Harrison has five other witnesses.

Called to a fight, Constable Carlson said he had asked Mrs. Gordienko, who was standing on the sidewalk, for her registration card. She began to scream, he related, and Paton attacked him. Constable Carlson fell backwards. Constable Carlson drew his night stick as he began to get up.

"I hit Gordienko with the stick," he said. "It didn't seem to do any harm. He didn't go down. The stick broke. By this time Constable Maitland arrived on the scene."

The constable's night stick, broken from end to end, was put in, as the first exhibit. "I got knocked down several times by both accused," he continued. "I had the accused Paton down when he bit me on the inside of my left leg. By this time I had so much blood in my eyes that I could not see very much."

"The accused Mary Gordienko had her shoe off while I was down and was hitting me on the head."

He said the fight was broken up after two naval shore patrol arrived. Mr. and Mrs. Gordienko were put in the patrol. Paton disappeared.

Under cross-examination by Mr. Henderson, Constable Carlson said Mrs. Gordienko had said: "Leave me alone, I'm a married woman. This man is hurting me." Constable Carlson denied that he had touched Mrs. Gordienko when he had questioned her about her registration card.

**SKULL FRACTURED**  
Dr. John Wasserman, house doctor at Royal Jubilee Hospital, who examined Constable Carlson about 5:30 on the morning of Jan. 1, said the constable was suffering from lacerations of the scalp, one about two inches long, the other shorter. He said there was considerable bleeding from the lacerations. The wounds, he testified, could have been caused by any of a variety of instruments.

Dr. Victor Lloyd Annett, who examined the constable later in the day, said he also suffered a black eye and shock. X-ray examination showed a skull fracture which was not severe, he said, and on the left thigh there was evidence of a bite which was a human bite.

All the wounds later became infected, Dr. Annett said.

## Two Changes Will Speed Building Permits In City

Two changes in building control regulations which will shorten the time for people in Greater Victoria to get building permits approved were announced here today by Victor L. Leigh, president of Victoria Builders' Exchange, following a trip to Ottawa.

Mr. Leigh said Maj.-Gen. J. P. Price, controller of construction, has agreed to the amendments which will provide: (1) Permit applications from Greater Victoria will be placed in a separate pool, apart from the general lower mainland and Vancouver Island pool. This area will then have its own quota and applications will not need to take turn in the general pool.

(2) There will be no hold-up in future in licenses for private individuals to convert houses into duplexes or suites, since this form of alteration takes the least labor and material to house a family.

Mr. Leigh said a tentative quota of 500 houses a year has been set for Greater Victoria, subject to ratification. At present Victorians take their turn in issue of 25 permits a week from the large B.C. pool. In 1943 253 house building permits were issued here and last year 438.

"I am satisfied this will considerably speed up the issue of permits here," said Mr. Leigh, "especially since we can clean up our unfinished construction quicker than the mainland. Being

## Stricter Law for Cyclists

Legislation to exercise stricter control over bicyclists in the province is being prepared for the coming session, Attorney-General R. L. Maitland, K.C., said today.

Proposals have been urged for months by traffic and safety interests. They would make it compulsory for a cyclist involved in an accident to remain at the scene and report to police in the

## Canadian Army Casualties 3,611 In December

OTTAWA (CP)—Canadian Army casualties were 3,611 in December, second lowest monthly total since the invasion of northwestern Europe, and figures released today by the three services showed Canada's total casualties to Dec. 31 were 84,808.

Accompanying the army figures were October, November and December totals for the navy and air force. They showed the navy suffered 35 casualties in October, 105 in November and 24 in December, while the air force suffered 420, 485 and 299, respectively.

A breakdown of the figures showed that since June 1—five days before D-Day—there were 47,458 casualties in the three services. Over this seven-month period the army had 42,793 casualties, the air force 4,049 and the navy 616.

Casualty totals for the war period ended Dec. 31:

	Dead	Wounded	Interred	Total
Army	1,680	40,235	6,747	47,662
Navy	1,065	1,955	3,231	6,251
Air Force	11,963	1,855	3,231	17,049
<b>Totals</b>	<b>24,608</b>	<b>43,045</b>	<b>13,209</b>	<b>80,862</b>

Evidence from C. D. Orchard, chief forester for B.C.; J. T. Clark, surveyor of taxes on assessments and from leaders of industry will be heard at the inquiry into all phases and aspects of the forest resources of the province, which will reopen in Victoria, Feb. 12 and sit until March 2.

Chief Justice Gordon McG. Sloan is royal commissioner for the inquiry, which opened in Victoria Feb. 7, 1944, and which is now in its closing stages. Sitings have been held throughout the province and some 28 persons will be called by H. W. Davey, counsel to the commission, at the forthcoming sitting.

Professor G. F. Drummond will give information on foreign exchange and toward the closing of the sitting evidence of C. D. Orchard will be given on forest policy. There will be cross-examination by interested parties and industry is expected to reply to the evidence given on forest policy.

Scheduled to appear are R. J. Filberg, R. J. McKie and L. R. Andrews, prominent figures in the lumbering industry.

The sitting will open with evidence on pulp and paper companies during the first week. G. H. Walton, Dalton Elder of Elder Logging Co. Ltd., J. E. Liersch of Aero Timbers Ltd., George Miller, Canadian Forestry Association, and R. R. F. Sevell of the Union of B.C. Municipalities will be among those to appear.

Henry J. Mackin of Canadian Western Lumber Company Ltd. and representatives of the Canadian Manufacturers' Association will appear during the second week of the sitting. E. A. Rowebottom will give evidence on trade extension and there will be representatives from the Bureau of Economics and Statistics and also from the Vancouver Island Associated Boards of Trade.

Adjournment Wednesday was due to indisposition of the commissioner.

## Big 3 to Discuss Plan to Control Rhine Land, Ruhr

LONDON (AP)—Prime Minister Churchill is taking to the Big Three conference a plan for a four-power government for postwar control of the German Rhineland and Ruhr, an unimpeachable source said today. The plan is understood to call for separation of the Rhineland and Ruhr from Germany and placing them under economic and political control of Great Britain, Russia, the United States and France.

The same source also said British, Russian and U.S. representatives have signed an "instrument of surrender" to be presented to the Germans when they capitulate. This was signed by Sir William Strang, British Under-Secretary of State; Feodor Gusev, Soviet ambassador to Britain, and U.S. Ambassador John G. Winant.

The document, formulated by leaders of the European Advisory Commission, is so secret only a few high officials know its contents. It lays down specific terms to which Germany must conform.

The source said the Big Three also would discuss zones of occupation. President Roosevelt was understood to have proposed last August that U.S. troops occupy northwest Germany and maintain only a token force in Austria. But now it is reported the President favors having an equal share with Russia and Britain in occupying Austria.

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## Directors Pleased With Contributions To Maternity Wing

Hopes that Greater Victoria would wipe out the remaining deficit in the next three months, were voiced by directors of the Royal Jubilee Hospital today as they announced gratifying results from January's collections toward the new maternity pavilion building fund.

At the start of the year, hospital authorities reported \$50,000 required from the city, municipalities and private individuals to meet costs of construction of the pavilion. At the end of this month the total outstanding had been reduced to \$38,371. Major contribution was a sum of \$7,367 which came from private sources. In addition \$1,000 was pledged by the Esquimalt Council, in addition to its 1944 allocation, and \$450 was promised by individuals. Other capital income amounted to \$2,800.

"Many of those who had made donations in 1944 have repeated their gifts and substantial contributions have been made by several of Victoria's industrial and business concerns," said a statement accompanying the tabulation of funds. "The directors, while greatly encouraged, urge the importance to the community of completion of the building in order to relieve the continuing pressure upon the hospital's bed capacity. At the present time there is a waiting list for beds in both medical and surgical sections."

P.O. J. H. Maxwell of Chemoineus is among a group of 30 repatriated R.C.A.F. officers due on the coast Sunday after completing tours of duty overseas.

St. Mary's Men's Guild will hold social evening and card game at St. Mary's Hall, Yale Street, Friday evening at 8.

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Over 590,270 bushels of grain were threshed, 90,000 more than in 1943.  
Cattle sales from the reserves valued \$85,000. A total of 7,504 head of cattle was reported, an increase of about 500 over 1943, in spite of large cattle sales.  
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## Abbott and Costello Come to Dominion

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"Lost in a Harem," Abbott and Costello's latest fun-fest, is coming tomorrow to the Dominion Theatre. The new Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer film is fast and furiously funny.

The comedians play a couple of prop men who, along with the rest of a touring musical show, get stranded in a small town in the mystic east. Marilyn, as the show's prima donna, gets a singing job in a local cafe and Abbott and Costello convince the manager they are a leading comedy team. They get the job, but their act is so bad that it starts a fight and all of the performers are tossed into jail.

## Cary Grant Movie Opens at York

Cary Grant, who has probably appeared in more hit pictures than any star in Hollywood, chalks up his ninth production for Columbia with "Once Upon a Time," now at the York Theatre.

Grant's first picture for Columbia was "When You're in Love," with Grace Moore. Then came that outstanding success, "The Awful Truth," with Irene Dunne. Those two pictures were instrumental in Grant's change-over from straight romantic roles to those requiring the adroit comedy touch.

Other pictures that have followed for Columbia were "Holiday," "Only Angels Have Wings," "His Girl Friday," "Howards of Virginia," "Penny Serenade," "Talk of the Town" and now "Once Upon a Time."

"Once Upon a Time," starring Cary Grant.

## Sully Mason Writes First Song

Sully Mason, featured member of Kay Kyser's band, has composed his first song. He wrote it between scenes of the Kyser musical "Carolina Blues," during its filming at Columbia Studios. The song is dedicated to the boys overseas.

The number is a comedy novelty, with 24 choruses, entitled: "Cheesecake, I Love You." It deals with the servicemen's fondness for "cheesecake art" (pin-up girl photos, with plenty of limb exposed).

Mason rehearsed the number with Ish Kabibble and Diane Pendleton, and popped it on the "Ol' Professor" with an idea of talking his boss into using it on one of his overseas broadcasts.

"Carolina Blue," co-starring Kay Kyser, Victor Moore and Ann Miller, is currently playing at the Oak Bay and Plaza Theatres.

## 'The Doughgirls' Opens at Capitol

Not that this is news to you, but rumors keep drifting out of Washington that there is, in that historic city, an acute shortage of everything from men to hotel rooms. While the possibilities of male rationing have not yet been explored by Hollywood, the Warner Bros. have decided to clear up the hotel dilemma in their hilarious new comedy hit, "The Doughgirls," which opened today at the Capitol Theatre.

"The Doughgirls" is a screamingly funny hodgepodge of three nearly-married couples and their adventures in the suite of an overcrowded Washington hotel. Adapted from the highly successful stage play of the same name by Joseph A. Fields, which kept audiences roaring for more and two years on Broadway and the road, the screenplay is headed by an all-star cast that includes Ann Sheridan, Alexis Smith, Jack Carson and Jane Wyman.

## Japanese Positions At Singapore Bombed

WASHINGTON (AP)—Superfortresses bombed Japanese military installations in the Singapore area today for the third time.

An announcement from 20th U.S. Air Force headquarters said B-29s of the 20th Bomber Command struck by daylight from India bases. Details of the mission will be announced when operational reports are received.

In their last attack Jan. 11 on this former British naval bastion at the tip of the Malay Peninsula Superforts blasted shipping installations with good results. The first blow was made Nov. 5.



VICTOR MOORE, ANN MILLER AND KAY KYSER are here shown in one of the many comedy routines of Columbia Pictures' new musical, "Carolina Blues," currently bringing the customers entertainment from Kay to Z at the Oak Bay and Plaza Theatres.

## Where To Go Tonight

(As Advertised)

ATLAS — Franchot Tone in "The Hour Before the Dawn."

CADET — "Meet the People," starring Dick Powell.

CAPITOL — Ann Sheridan in "The Doughgirls."

DOMINION — Carmen Miranda in "Something for the Boys."

OAK BAY AND PLAZA — Kay Kyser in "Carolina Blues."

RIO — "Jane Eyre," starring Orson Welles.

YORK — "Once Upon a Time," starring Cary Grant.

## Musical at Cadet Has Cast of 350

A musical comedy that had its beginning four years ago in an abandoned Hollywood garage, advanced to a stage containing 31,590 square feet of floor space — and all of it crowded.

With Lucille Ball and Dick Powell in the starring roles, a cast of about 350 people was employed in the making of "Meet the People," the new musical at the Cadet Theatre.

RIO THEATRE  
Together on the screen for the first time, Orson Welles and Joan

## Atlas Theatre Shows Maugham Drama

Acclaimed by millions of readers, Somerset Maugham's dramatic novel, "The Hour Before Dawn," arrived today at the Atlas Theatre in an action-packed Paramount film.

The picture, co-starring Franchot Tone and Veronica Lake, is a departure from all known Hollywood formulas for its story deals with a conscientious objector in the early days of England's war with Germany. It is this theme which aways audiences as the wide range of emotions in the film play upon their feelings.

The undercurrent of suspense is clearly felt throughout, as the plot thickens to develop into a tense drama of first-rate proportions.

Fontaine are starred in 20th Century-Fox's adaptation of Charlotte Brontë's spectacularly thrilling romantic novel, "Jane Eyre," currently at the Rio Theatre.

Welles plays the role of Edward Rochester, the moody and sardonic master of Thornfield Hall, while Academy Award winner Joan Fontaine plays the title role of Jane, the shy and wistful governess, whose love for the brooding Rochester is stalked by mystery and terror.

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Associate Producer: Kenneth Macpherson  
Screen Play by: Anthony Browne and Helen Logan  
Story by: F. L. Smith  
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## IRON AND STEEL TOOK PLACE OF EARLY WOODEN RAILS

At mines, long ago, there were troubles about mud. Wagons loaded with coal would sink into mud, and it was hard to get them moving again.

So it came about that planks were laid on the ground, end to end. The wheels of wagons ran over these planks, and this helped to a certain extent to keep them from sinking into the mud.

In later times, pieces of wood were laid end to end, and were anchored to the ground. They were called "rails," and made up what we may describe as a "railroad" or "railway."

Metal rails later took the place of the wooden rails, at mines and elsewhere. These were made of iron. They lasted longer than wooden rails, but not so long as the steel rails which came later.

Horses or mules pulled the loads of coal which were wheeled over railways. There came a time when fare-paying passen-

gers were hauled on cars by beasts of burden. Speeds of as much as 15 miles an hour were claimed for the horse-drawn railway cars.

Many persons still living used to ride on horse cars, or street cars, which ran on tracks inside cities.

For long rail trips, however, the horse lost his place more than a century ago. Locomotives driven by steam proved to be far better.

The present century has seen two new modes of transport become strong rivals of the railway. These are motor cars and airplanes.

An interesting event took place on a June day in 1910. Charles K. Hamilton flew a biplane from New York to Philadelphia and back again the same day. For this deed, he earned a prize of \$10,000.

While over New Jersey on that flight, Hamilton had a race with a railway train which, at the time, was running 50 miles an hour. The aviator was unable to overtake the train, but his average speed for the whole trip was slightly less than 45 miles an hour.

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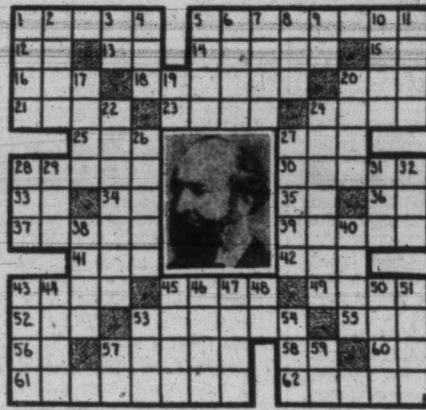
## Today's Crossword Puzzle

### HORIZONTAL

1. A featured former U.S. President
2. Hawaiian bird
3. Notions
4. Indian army (ab.)
5. Shade tree
6. Make a mistake
7. Persuade
8. Buying this helps win the war
9. At liberty
10. Parry
11. Three times (comb. form)
12. Western cattle
13. Hindu queen
14. Whirlwind
15. Jumbled type
16. Any
17. Sun god
18. Type of bread
19. Under from normal growth
20. Indistinct
21. Belongs to him
22. Belongs to us
23. He was born in
24. Prison room
25. Old's name
26. Biblical mountain
27. Ocean
28. Rhode Island (ab.)
29. Dazzling brilliance
30. Busy
31. Paid notice
32. Spices
33. Barrier

### VERTICAL

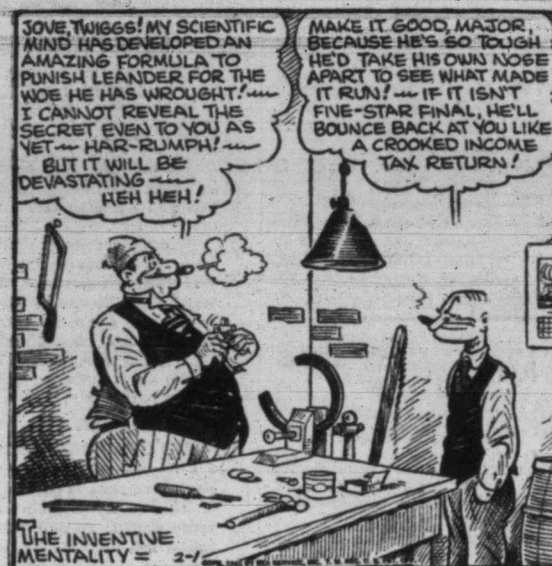
1. Taunt
2. Capable (comb. form)
3. Call for help
4. At
5. Round
6. Arabian gulf
7. Bamboo-like grass
8. Obese
9. Exile
10. Italian coin
11. Challenge



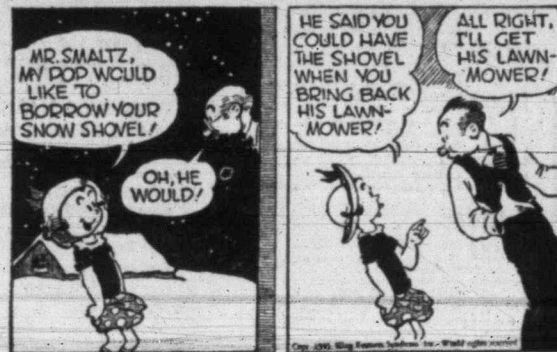
(Answer to previous puzzle)



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